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BRIGADE MAJOR
JAMES MOFFAT, OF
LONDON, C.W.

We present on this page a portrait of Brigade Major Moffat, as the second of the series promised to our readers and the public. This officer is now in his forty-third year, having been born in 1820, in the Old Burgh of Lanark, Scotland, a place so intimately associated with the name of Sir William Wallace, the renowned patriot chief, and near which are the romantic Falls of Clyde, on which so many travellers have gazed with delight. Mr. Moffat, in the spring of 1841, emigrated to the State of New York, where he resided for about three years; thence he removed to Toronto, and after some two years and a half finally settled in London, where he has resided up to the present time. He was extensively engaged in business till 1860, when he retired to enjoy the fruits of his industry. During the nine years immediately prior to that date, he had a seat at the municipal board, first as Councilman and then as Alderman; in that year he was elected Mayor, a



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ed by the Government, those in any degree acquainted with military affairs will at once conjecture that the Captain had many difficulties to struggle with; but they were all happily surmounted by his perseverance and the co-operation of a few others, who aided him in the undertaking. In 1861 he obtained the commission; the request was eventually commissioned by the Government. His connection with this Company, usually numbering about fifty men, was unbroken till he was elevated to his present military position. As it was necessary then that a company should be uniformed and inspected before they could be accepted of the Province. On the expiration of his term of office, he withdrew from the Council altogether.

In 1856, the commencement of the Volunteer movement, Mr. Moffat was unanimously requested by the Highland Rifle Company of London, to accept its Captaincy, and on complying with the year memorable for the visit of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to the city over which he presided, as well as to other localities in

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