

neat. He expressed himself pleased with what he saw. He then returned to headquarters and dined with the staff officers. At 2 p. m. the 16th Batt. band was ordered out and played a number of airs at headquarters, and massing of the battalion guards.

**INSPECTING THE FIELD BATTERY.**

The Kingston Field Battery distinguished themselves yesterday, receiving praise for the way in which they went through their evolutions. At the review they first walked past the saluting base at close interval, returned, trotted and galloped past at open interval. They then formed up and were inspected by the General, and went through several manoeuvres. Lieut.-Col. Montizambert, of "B" Battery, in the absence of Col. Strange, R.A., afterwards made the annual inspection of guns and accoutrements, and put the men through the movements of firing, dismounting and mounting guns. All these things they performed with alacrity, and to the satisfaction of the inspecting officer. The battery returned to quarters, and each officer and non-commissioned officer was verbally examined by Lt.-Col. Montizambert relative to his duties.

The officers then dined. The battery struck tents about 5 p. m., and at 7 p. m., embarked on the steamer 'Pierpont' for home.

In the afternoon the General left by the 4 o'clock train for Port Hope.

**HEALTH OF THE CAMP.**

The principal medical officer of the camp, Dr. Smith, states that the camp was remarkably healthy. He reiterated his remarks, previously noted in regard to the medicine chest provided by the Government. As soon as he saw it he at once condemned it as inadequate and useless. The 45th was the sickliest owing to the long wait of the men at Trenton, without food and water, on the day of their coming to camp. The 47th was the healthiest.

Brigade Camp Quarter-Master VanIngeen, of the 40th Battalion, kept the whole camp in splendid order. He daily inspected the various tents, and all orders issued by him have been faithfully carried out by the regimental quarter-masters.

**COL. VILLIERS OPEN OPINION.**

Lt.-Col. Villiers, D.A.G., was next interviewed, and without hesitation asserted that he had never come across a better class of officers and men. He had attended five different camps in Canada, but the present one was the best. Every one, from the drummer boy up to the staff officers faithfully performed his work, not slovenly, but with an earnest desire to become proficient in the art of war. The improvement made during the twelve days was wonderful indeed, considering that seven-tenths of the men were raw recruits. He wished us to thank the officers for the kind way in which they had seconded his efforts, and the men for the orderly manner in which they had conducted themselves.

**OFFICIAL RETURNS.**

The official returns of the respective officers show that the entire strength of the brigade was 1,223 officers and men; and 160 horses.

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