

a correct standpoint, it must be admitted that the Club has gone quite as far as it is possible for it to go, and retain any semblance of its original foundation. We know that every officer of the Royal Regiments esteems and values the services of the officers of the active militia. Still, soldiering is not their life work, and to those to whom it is, special interests must arise, in which pure volunteer militia can have no part, and where concerted advice and action is necessary. This is one of the objects for which the Club was organized, and it can only be obtained by the Permanent Officers retaining control. The support which the Club has received from Major-General Gascoigne should bring out a sympathetic response from all the members. This should be evinced by a large attendance at the next annual meeting, which, as a special case, is to be held at Ottawa, during the session of Parliament, which it is presumed will be in session in February, 1897. The courtesy extended to the Club by the officers of the Royal Regiment of Canadian Infantry of the St. John depot was very marked, all the guests being quartered in the barracks. This courtesy culminated in a most delightful trip up the historic Richelieu river, visiting the fort and barracks at Isle Aux Noix, and going up as far as Fort Montgomery at Rouse's Point, U.S. The day was most delightful, and all thoroughly enjoyed the trip. It will be a long time before the V. R. I. Club holds an annual meeting under more pleasant circumstances than the one held in the cabin of the steam yacht "Richelieu," on the 27th of May, 1896, as she ploughed the water of that beautiful river.

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The Hon. M. Aylmer, who was Assistant Adjutant-General for several years, has been gazetted Adjutant-General in place of Col. Powell, superannuated. The appointment gives very general satisfaction. The new A.G. is the eldest son of the Right Hon. Lord Aylmer, seventh Baron of Balth. He was born at Melbourne, P.Q., and received his education at the High School, Montreal, St. Francis College, and Trinity College, Dublin. In 1864 he received his commission as ensign in Her Majesty's 7th Fusiliers (City of London Regiment) then quartered at Malta. In 1868 he received his