

invaders. From you I expected the conduct in the field which you displayed, for I knew that the training which you have undergone would shew itself when the day of action came. I wish, however, to express here the satisfaction I derived from watching the cool and regular manner in which the skirmishers of the volunteers under Colonel McEachern extended in front of the enemy's entrenchment, and afterwards the steady way in which they advanced and kept up the fire. As the free volunteers of these counties, I allowed them the honor of the principal attack, which was divided with them only by one company—Captain Mansfield's—of this regiment. Their gallant demeanor under fire, showed how fully they merited the confidence I had reposed in them. Like the descendants of true Britons they fought for the defence of their hearths and homes, and for the freedom received as a priceless inheritance from their sires, and nobly did they acquit themselves in a manner all worthy the free soldiers of a free country. 69th! three cheers for our comrades in arms—the Canadian Volunteers—Hip, hip, hip, hurrah ! !”

Loud and hearty were the cheers given, for it was no mere lip respect which the 69th had for the volunteers. As soon as they were ended, the command “forward” was given, and the regiment moved off amid the prolonged cheers of the volunteers. They entered Huntingdon about 9 o'clock, singing lustily, with a Fenian coat suspended from a bayonet as a sort of ensign at their head, while many among the ranks carrying Fenian haversacks and knapsacks as trophies. On nearing the parade ground, their faded and shot-torn colors were unfurled, and the drums struck up. After they were dismissed they took up their quarters in the Academy and Court House, where they remained till the following morning at five, when they started again for Quebec by the same route they had taken in coming. During the Sunday morning, little or nothing was done in camp. Church parade was ordered at half-past two, when there was a full attendance, and the men were marched to Dickson's grove where the service was read.

As much uneasiness still existed with respect to the doings of the Fenians, Colonel Ferrier thought it best to permit several of the officers of the Garrison Artillery, in civilian clothes, to visit Malone, and ascertain what was actually going on in the Fenian camp, which was known to have received large accessions to its numbers since the fight. Accordingly, Lieutenant Oswald and Mr. Blackader, who was assisting Dr. Bell as Hospital Sergeant, having obtained a horse and buggy from a neighboring farmer, drove across the lines to Malone, and visited the Fenian encampment there. Several other parties also followed a little later in the afternoon, among whom were Assistant Quartermaster McDonald, Sergeants Allo and Beers, and Gunner McIntosh, of the Garrison Artillery; Dr. Fuller, and one or two others of the Field Battery, and a party of the Borderers.

On their return, late in the evening, the parties from the