

BREVET.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel:

Major Ernest M. Peel, V. B., 12th Battalion, from 14th September, 1871.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Leave of Absence is hereby granted to Lieutenant William Douglas Adams, No. 3 Company, 59th Battalion, from 1st Instant to 1st May, 1872.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

The following officers holding certificates of qualification, are hereby confirmed in their respective ranks:

Major John Murray, V. B., 1st class, 20th Battalion, from 30th September, 1871.

Captain John Johnstone, V. B., 2nd class No. 2 Company, 20th Battalion, from 20th September, 1871.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

1st. Battalion of Rifles "or Prince of Wales' Regiment" Montreal.

To be Lieutenants from 13th October 1871.

Ensign Edward Whiteway Mudge, V. B., vice Barnjum, appointed Adjutant.

Ensign Alexander McTavish Watt, V. B., vice Robinson promoted.

To be Ensign from 13th October, 1871.

William de Courcey Harnett, Gentleman, M. S., vice Mudge promoted.

"B" Battery and School of Gunnery, Quebec.

F. L. A. Neilson, Esquire, formerly Surgeon, 2nd (or Quebec) Battalion of Riflemen, to be Medical Officer in charge of Battery "B." with the rank of Surgeon and the pay and allowances of an Assistant Surgeon.

Thurso Infantry Company.

To be Captain, from 13th September last.

Lieutenant James Eathorne, V. B., vice E. Cameron, left limits.

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To be Majors:

Captain Richard Lucas, V. B., No. 5 Company, 51st Battalion, from 6th February, 1868.

Captain James Muir, C.V.B., No. 1 Troop from Montreal Cavalry 31st August, 1871.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

71st "York" Battalion of Infantry. N. B.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major John Lothrop Marsh, V. B., vice Hewitson resigned.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

2nd "Halifax" Brigade of Garrison Artillery. No. 3 Battery, Richmond.

To be 2nd Lieutenant provisionally:

Private George Henry Williams, vice E. Horton deceased.

63rd "Halifax" Battalion of Rifles.

ERRATA.—In General Order 13th October last read, "To be Lieutenant, Ensign Thomas Joseph Walsh, V. B.," instead of "Thomas James Walsh."

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA.

St. Boniface Rifle Company.

ERRATUM.—In G. O. (22) 13th October last read "To be Captain provisionally; Joseph Dubuc Esquire" instead of "To be Captain, Honorable Henry J. Clarke, V. B."

St. Charles Rifle Company.

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The formation of the following corps is hereby authorized:

A Rifle Company at———

To be Captain:

Alphonse Alfred Clement Lariviere, Esquire M. S.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY BRIGADE.

2nd Brigade of Garrison Artillery, Toronto.

ERRATUM.—In G. O. (22) 13th October last add after the name Captain G. F. B. Caruthers, who is hereby permitted to retire retaining rank.

2nd Battalion Rifles Montreal.

To be Lieutenant, provisionally:

William Daly, Gentleman, vice H. P. Nottingham, left limits.

To be Ensign:

Robert Douglas Wintle, Gentleman, vice P. Johnson left limits.

No. 3.

CERTIFICATES, BOARDS OF EXAMINERS.

The following officers have passed their examinations before, and have been granted certificates by Boards of Examiners:

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

At Oakville.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Major John Murray, 20th Battalion.

Lieutenant Ranson Byron Albertson, No. 1 Company, 20th Battalion.

SECOND CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Major John Murray, 20th Battalion.

Captain John Johnston, No. 2 Company, 20th Battalion.

Thomas Rixon, Gentleman.

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

In Artillery Exercises.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Captain and Brevet Major George H. Pick, No. 1 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

Captain and Brevet Major Martin Hunter Peters, No. 2 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

Captain and Brevet Major Richard Farmer, No. 3 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

SECOND CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Captain and Brevet Major George H. Pick, No. 1 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

Captain and Brevet Major Martin Hunter Peters, No. 2 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

Captain and Brevet Major Richard Farmer, No. 3 Battery, New Brunswick Brigade Garrison Artillery.

By command of His Excellency the

Governor-General.

P. ROBERTSON-ROSS, Colonel,  
Adjutant-General of Militia  
Canada.

WHAT NEXT;—Fate has irrevocably doomed it to be evacuation! But what has transpired to justify that issue? The fortress of Quebec has changed hands! This day may justly be regarded memorable in the annals of Canadian history, for ere its beautiful autumnal sun had set, the entire armament of Quebec with all its stores, magazines and keys, had passed into the hands of the Dominion Government, a free gift, worthy alike of the giver and receiver. The responsibilities of the Imperial authorities as regards the armament, are now but nominal, and in a few days hence, when the *Orontes* leaves the commanding eminences of the dear old Citadel behind, with the last vestige of Imperial authority on board, we may anticipate a glimpse at the Dominion flag floating modestly from the flag-staff at the King's bastion, thenceforth to maintain its place, we sincerely trust in peaceful security over a happy and prosperous people. Men whose minds are wont to view measures and their consequences in a magnanimous and comprehensive spirit, will not regard this great change in the narrow and despicable sense implied by the term *free gift*, but rather as a tangible testimony of the confidence reposed by the Imperial Government in the capacity and power of the people of Canada to regulate, not only their own internal affairs but also to direct and control the means thus placed at their disposal for the defence of their country. When our exodus takes place, may it mark the incipient season of a still more vigorous prosperity, commercially, morally, socially and intellectually for the people of Canada, is the prayer of one who deprecates his severance from a country to which he has become endeared by many a tie.—J. M. R.—*Quebec Chronicle*.

In consequence of the Chicago conflagration there will likely be no more shingle roofed buildings erected in that city. The *Tribune* says that Chicago ought to be a very poor market for shingles henceforth, except for country consumption. There must be so far as the thickly inhabited portion of the city is concerned, a strict embargo laid upon the building of any roofs of shingles, or any wooden substitute therefor. There is no doubt that the shingle roofs of the burnt district of Chicago were more than any other cause blameable for the spread of the conflagration of two weeks ago. Let them be interdicted by law.