

miles north of the village, on the river road, and the main body stationed half a mile north of the lower ferry. According to his estimate, about five hundred men were drilling, and about the same number of arms were stacked, their owners being leisurely strolling around the first sentry; he approached, came to attention, and was allowed to proceed without molestation. The second quietly asked for a match, remarking "I suppose you are one of us." Between the railroad and Fort Erie a third challenged him, and was about to catch his horse, when he ran and returned by a circuitous route around the country. They had pulled up the bridge between the railroad and Fort Erie; the last sentry had on a Federal uniform; the others were indifferently dressed, some having old C. S. A. coats, others in civilian habits; those in Confederate uniform represented themselves as belonging to the Louisiana Tigers. Another man, Harry Kean, a German, had just landed on the Canadian side of the ferry, when two of them took hold of him and asked him for his money, and shoved his hand into his pocket, and took six dollars, all he possessed, cautioning him against mentioning anything of their presence when he reached Chippawa. John Brocklin, of Chippawa, and Gavin Nicholson, of Fort Erie, were taken prisoners, but subsequently escaped. Mr. Cooper's story is truly laid, and evidently authentic. Those who appeared to be the leaders had no military clothing. About 800 of the rank and file were efficient looking men. In the tavern at Fort Erie, a sentry was placed at the door, and those in the inside drank to the new republic, paying for their liquor in shin-plasters; they were then behaving themselves quietly. He afterwards met a scout from Fort Colborne, to whom he gave the facts in his possession.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Buffalo, June 1, 10 p. m.

Mr. George Warren, of the W. U. Telegraph Office, has furnished the following report:—

"I have spent the entire day at the scene of active operations, and, from personal observations, submit the following remarks:

"The total number of men who crossed and landed last night was 1,340, with 2,500 stand of arms, but no artillery. During the day small parties, in squads of three and four, have arrived, being conveyed across the river by the ferry steamer while she ran, and afterwards by small skiffs. I was told by a Fenian lieutenant that a sufficient number would arrive by to-night to make the total number equal to the number of stand of arms. No disposition was manifested on the part of the invaders to molest or disturb private citizens or their property, further than to satisfy the demands of hunger and secure needed horses. Fenian bonds were invariably offered to the citizens in payment for what was taken at their own valuation, but I did not learn of a single instance wherein the collateral was taken. By two o'clock this afternoon, the main body had moved down the river to a point known as Frenchman's Creek, and were busily engaged in establishing themselves behind temporary breastworks, thrown up for the occasion on the Newbigging farm.

"A few entire families have removed to this side of the river, and without a single exception every young lady of the village is now seeking asylum in this city.