

The Dominion Government has also received over this month the forts and armament at Kingston, with the exception of the Naval Reserve and Tete du Pont Barracks, the latter being still occupied by a portion of the late Royal Canadian Rifle Regiment awaiting discharge or transfer. On Fort Henry the "flag," etc., which has for so many years flaunted in the breezes from old Ontario, flies no longer, and the noon-day gun which for upwards of fifty years and more has given the correct time to the Kingstonians, is now silent for ever. *Sic transit,* etc. The fortifications, towers, etc., etc., are all in perfect order and fit for any use to which the Dominion Government may devote them. What an admirable spot it would be for the establishment of a school of artillery, all the necessary material being there.

By the kindness of a Staff Officer of high rank, we have been enabled to copy the following interesting letter relative to the Red River Expedition:

I wrote you a few lines from Caldron's on Sunday; I am writing under difficulties, no table or chair and a whole camp about me moving stores. We are, I mean those who have preceded us, and, as far as I have heard, those behind, quite well; our force is moving steadily forward but not so quickly as I had hoped, however, when you consider that the portages are pretty numerous and in some cases long and very steep, I think we are doing well; I am with a company of the 60th, the fourth which started, commanded by Capt. Wallace. The brigade consists of seven boats, the seventh containing commissariat stores. We left Shebandowen landing at 5.01 p.m., on the 19th and on the 21st came to our first portage, Kashaboula, about 1500 yards long, crossed Lake Kashaboula, and after passing thro' a creek pushed by the men (the officers assisting) came to the Height of Land Portage, some 2000 yards long; the water now runs down to Fort Francis, passed the Lac des Mille Lacs and came to Baril Portage, a steep walk about 400 yards over, thence to Brull Lake and having crossed it to a portage of the same name. The lakes are all much the same, as far as scenery which is very fine, being full of small islands well covered with trees; but the eye gets tired at last with the sameness. The shore is all rock and the trees, pine, birch, and poplar are all very stunted. The underbrush is hazel, Labrador sea plant, &c. On the 27th we entered Lake Windegotegan, about twelve miles long, a succession of small lakes connected by creeks. Our next portage was French portage; in reaching this we had to pass through a rapid river in which my boat stuck. She is seven inches more beam than any of the others and as it was dusk I fastened her and slept on board, it was too rapid to get on shore as she was in the centre of the stream, we lightened her next morning before we could get her down. We, this

morning, made Peril portage; on this I should say the soil is good, better than any I have seen; some good pines, birch, cedar and poplar trees. We are now at Two River portage, a very ugly one, the men are working away and we will be off mid-day tomorrow. Our provisions hold out well, though some have been injured by the heat, for instance, a deal of the biscuit and some flour and beans. The pork is excellent, all say so.

Portage des deux Rivieres, Sunday, 31st July, 1870.

**PRESENTATION.**—Capt. Forsyth, commanding the Ottawa Field Battery, was last Wednesday evening presented with a gold watch and chain by the men under his command. The presentation took place at the Albion Hotel, after the men had received their annual pay, and the occasion was one of general rejoicing amongst the company and their friends. The watch was purchased at the establishment of Mr. Leslie, and is a very fine patent lever, with a fob-chain of the most approved pattern. On the inner case of the watch the following inscription was neatly engraved: "Presented to Captain James Forsyth, by the non-commissioned officers, gunners, and drivers of the Ottawa Field Battery, August, 1870." Captain Forsyth has been connected with the battery for several years, and this is not the first time that he has received a mark of the estimation of his company. This is not the last nor the least, we hope, that he will receive.

#### METROPOLITAN RIFLE ASSOCIATION MATCH.

The fourth annual Prize Meeting of the Metropolitan Rifle Association was opened on Tuesday, 16th inst., at 10 o'clock at the Ottawa Rifle Range. With the exception of a dense haze from smoke caused by the numerous bush fires, the weather was favorable for short ranges; the following is the score of the first match:

Pte. DeBoucherville, C.S.R.	25
Sgt. Harris, O.B.G.A.	24
McIntyre, Merrickville.	23
Ens. Stewart, 43rd.	23
Sgt. Booth, 43rd.	23
McDonald, O.B.G.A.	23
Lt. Cotton, do	23
Wilkinson, 42nd.	23
Pt. Pearson, O.R.	23
Sgt. Saucier, 18th.	22
Dr. Oronhotyke.	22
Capt. McLean, 42nd.	22
Gun. Walters, O.B.G.A.	22
Capt. Bell, G.T.R.	22
Capt. Mowatt, O.R.	21
Sgt. Walsh, C.S.R.	21
Capt. Egleson, O.B.G.A.	21
Sgt. Inwood, 60th Rifles.	21
Pt. Green, 60th Rifles.	21
Gun. Cotton, O.B.G.A.	21
Pt. Mode, 18th.	21
Captain Stewart, 43rd.	21
Sgt. Hinton, 43rd.	21
Pt. Morgan, 43rd.	21
Pt. Sheppard, 10th Royals.	21

The second day's firing commenced on Thursday morning at nine a.m. The dense smoke interfered sadly with the shooting; it was almost impossible to see the targets at

600 yards. The following are the scores of the matches fired up to date.

#### NO. 2—VOLUNTEER MATCH.

Wilkinson, G.T.R.	33
Walker, O.G.A.	32
Walsh, C.S.R.	32
Booth, 43rd.	32
Grant, O.G.A.	31
Saucier, 18th.	31
Stewart, 43rd.	31
De Boucherville	30
Helmer, 43rd.	30

#### NO. 3.—Open to Volunteers and Officers and Men of her Majesty's service.

Thomas, 54th.	31
Hinton, 43rd.	28
Helmer, 43rd.	28
Watkins, 60th Rifles.	28
Bell, G.T.R.	28
Harris, O.G.A.	27
Morrison, O.G.A.	26
Harkin, 18th.	26
Deslauriers, C.S.R.	26
Egleson, O.G.A.	25

#### NO. 4—ASSOCIATION MATCH.

Harris, O.G.A.	45
Thomas, G.T.R.	43
Cotton, O.G.A.	43
McLean, 42nd.	42
Benjamin, C.S.R.	42
Walters, O.G.A.	41
Grant, O.G.A.	41
Wilkinson, G.T.R.	40
McDonald, G.T.R.	39
Barlow 43rd.	38
Leggo, Ott R.	38

#### 5TH COMPETITION.

Open to volunteers, officers and men of her Majesty's service and members of the Metropolitan Rifle Association.

Egleson, O.G.A.	32
Cotton	32
Yeoman, C.S.R.	31
Barry, O.G.A.	31
Harris	29
Grant	28
Green, 60th Rifles.	27
Sheppard, 10th Royals.	27
Vankleek, 18th.	27
Thomas, 54th.	27
Walters, O.G.A.	26
McDonald,	26
Cox, 60th Rifles.	26

#### 6TH COMPETITION.

Non commissioned officers and men of the Volunteer force.

Private Pearson.	33
Sergeant McDonald.	32
Private Deslaurier	32
Gunner Barry.	32
Private Benjamin.	32
Private Sheppard.	32
Sergeant Grant.	31
Private Marshall.	31
Segeant Booth.	31
Segeant Wilkinson.	31
Private Mode.	31
Sergeant Cairns.	31
Sergeant Doudiet	30
Sergeant Harris.	30
Sergeant Stewart.	29
Private Leggo.	29

#### REMITTANCES

Received on subscription to the VOLUNTEER REVIEW up to Saturday the 20th inst.:

OTTAWA.—Lieut. J. B. Lamb, \$3; Lieut. J. LeB. Ross, \$2.

NORTH NATION MILLS, St. ANGELOU, Q.—Lieut. J. Eathorne, \$2.