

WHEN MARY WAS A LASSIE.

The maple tree was tinged with red,
The birch was golden yellow;
And high above the orchard wall,
Hung apples ripe and mellow;
And that's the way through yonder lane,
That looks so still and grassy;
The way I took one Sunday eve,
When Mary was a Lassie.

You'd hardly think that patient face,
That looks so thin and pallid,
Was once the very sweetest one,
That ever bonnet shaded.
But when I went through yonder lane,
That looks so still and grassy;
Those eyes were bright, those cheeks were
fair,
When Mary was a Lassie.

But many a tender sorrow,
And many a patient care,
Have made those furrows on the face,
That used to be so fair,
Four times to yonder churchyard,
Through the lane so still and grassy,
We've borne and laid away our dead,
Since Mary was a Lassie.

And so you see I've grown to love,
The wrinkles more than roses;
Earth's winter flowers are sweeter far,
Than all spring's stony posies;
They'll carry us through yonder lane,
That looks so still and grassy,
Adown the lane I used to go,
When Mary was a Lassie.

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KINGSTON DIVISIONAL CAMP.

The Divisional Camp for Military District No. 9, was ordered to be formed at Kingston on the 19th June, and accordingly on that day the troops came into camp, tho' it was daylight on the 20th before some of the western battalions got under canvas.

The Divisional staff was composed of the following officers, viz:

Lt.-Colonel S. P. Jarvis, D. A. G., Commandant.

Major W. P. P. Phillips, B. Major, 7th Brigade Div., A. B. M. G.

Major W. Smith, B. Major, 6th Brig. Div., A. A. G.

Lt.-Col. W. H. Sweetman, Nanawau Cavalry, Supply Officer.

Major J. Vance Graveley, 40th Batt., 1st Musketry Instructor.

Surg. A. S. Strange, "A" Battery, P. M. A.

Capt. R. W. Barrow, 14th P. W. O. Rifles, Ord. Officer to C. O.

The Division was composed of two Infantry Brigades, one Regiment of Cavalry, and one Battery of Field Artillery; the Cavalry being commanded by that gallant and veteran volunteer officer, Lt. Col. D'Arcy E. Boulton, and the Field Battery by Major A. S. Kirkpatrick, in the absence of Lieut.-Col. Drummond, who, we are sorry to say, was taken seriously ill early on the morning of the 19th. The infantry Brigade Staffs we now enumerate.

1ST INFANTRY BRIGADE STAFF.

Lt.-Col. Walter Ross, M. P. 16th Batt. Brigadier.

Lt.-Col. J. McLeod, 45th Batt. Brigade Major.

Capt. Lake, 16th Batt. Orderly Officer.

2ND INFANTRY BRIGADE STAFF.

Lieut. Col. W. Smith, 40th Batt. Brigadier.

Major C. A. Boulton, 46th Batt., Brigade Major.

Capt. Vars, 40th Batt., Orderly Officer.

Having enumerated the various Staffs, we come to the regiments composing each Brigade of Infantry. The first Brigade consisted of.

14th P. W. O. Rifles, Lieut. Col. Callaghan.

15th Argyll Light Infantry, Lieut. Col. A. H. Campbell.

16th Prince Edward, Lieut. Col. Thomas Bog, (Major Comd'g.)

47th Frontenac, Lieut. Col. H. Hamilton.

45th Lennox and Addington, Lt. Col. W. Fowler.

The second Brigade of the

40th Northumberland, Major C. Elliott.

45th West Durham, Lieut. Colonel F. Corbitt.

46th East Durham, Lieut.-Col. A. I. B. Williams.

49th Rifles, Lieut.-Col. James Brown, M. P.

57th Peterborough, Lt. Col. Edwin Poole.

The troops in camp went to work with a will to make themselves as efficient as they possibly could in so short a space of time as 16 days, and the P. M. I had one regiment at the butts on the first morning after coming into camp (it was to have been the 14th but as their marching into camp on the first evening had to be countermanded by the C. O. on account of an insufficiency of tents, another regiment took their place) and every morning at daylight, the crack of the rifle could be heard thro' the stilly morn. On the application of the commandant, the Post Office Inspector here, kindly opened a Post Office in Camp, a tent being placed at his disposal for that purpose. The Montreal Telegraph Company established an office inside the lines of the first Brigade, and the Dominion Company one in the lines of the 2nd Brigade.

The Adj. General Col. Robertson Ross, inspected the Division on parade at 11 o'clock on the morning of Friday the 48th ult. The division was drawn up "in line of columns" at very short intervals so as to allow of all being dressed in line, the common at Barrieffield being too small to admit of so large a body of men taking up correct distances. At 10.50 a. m., the inspecting officer was described at the far end of the bridge, and the command issued "Officers and colors will take post in review order," and then "Stand at ease," rang out. The A. G. and staff stood a moment or two at the entrance of the common scanning the troops which certainly presented a very fine appearance from that spot, and well might the distinguished soldier feel proud as he scanned those there assembled under his command, after minutely inspecting the "Line of

columns" the A. G. took up his position at the saluting base flag, and the Division marched past headed by the commandant and his staff. The Cavalry regiment under Lieut. Col. D'Arcy Boulton, marched past extremely well and presented a splendid appearance, though it is a pity tho' new Colborne Troop had not been able to obtain clothing accoutrements, etc., from head quarters in time for camp; this Troop by the way, marched into camp from Colborne. The cavalry in this camp, is the finest troop of cavalry in Ontario and numbered some 500 strong. The Kingston Field Battery, both marched and trotted past in a soldierly and workmanlike form, and is a credit to the officers of the Battery. The infantry performed their part in the march past in a manner which would be even a credit to regulars.

After the march past had been effected, Colonel Ross informed the D. A. G. that an enemy was coming down on the Division, and was even then close on the brow of the hill overlooking the common, and that he wished him driven back on Gananoque (which lies due east of Kingston) and that he would leave that duty to him and the troops under his command.

Colonel Jarvis, thereupon, at once threw out the 49th Rifles as a line of skirmishers to cover the Division, supported by the 45th Batt. and brought up a half battery of artillery on both flanks, changed the front of both brigades to the left on the left battalion of each Brigade, and thus got his two lines into position and working order. The cavalry meanwhile, sent 2 squadrons to each flank, when the skirmishers (who by the way we were glad to observe, kept up that dropping fire so galling to advancing troops) had driven back the opposing force, and the artillery had caused them to hasten their movements, hurled themselves on the retreating foe like an avalanche, and then retired in good order in rear of the flanking guns. The sham fight ended in the enemy being driven back with great slaughter to his supposed entrenched position on the heights beyond the Gananoque river, and the Division returning to camp to dinner, after receiving the commendations of the A. G. as to the efficient way in which each branch of the service had performed its duty that day. In the afternoon the A. G. inspected the lines of each battalion camp, and in the evening dined with the divisional and Brigade staffs, and the field officers of the different regiments in camp (who had joined with the staffs in this most pleasing portion of the day's work) when a very pleasant and agreeable evening was spent. The A. G. with his staff left by steamer the next morning at 5.30 a. m. for Prescott.

The special reporter for the *Globe* had unfortunately delegated his duties to another person on the day of the A. G.'s inspection and had allowed this person to forward his