

next, marched to the cricket field, where the inspection was to take place. After the inspection the volunteers marched past in column of companies, in quarter column, and then to the saluting base in review order. They were afterwards formed up in three sides of a square in front of the stand, on which the prizes were displayed. At this point of the proceedings Lord Wolseley, stepping slightly forward, said: "It is now some ten years ago since I last had the pleasure of attending here upon a similar occasion to see your camp and to distribute the prizes. I am very glad indeed to find that there is no falling off in any way whatever in your efficiency; that your appearance on parade is quite as good—I might say better—than it was on the occasion when I had the pleasure of being here before, and that the manner in which you marched past left, I think, nothing to be desired. I am very glad, amongst other things, to recognize the fact of a detachment coming from Canada, a country where I spent so many happy years of my own life, and with whose destinies I feel wrapped up. I have always entertained, and always shall continue to entertain the greatest affection and respect for the Canadian people. I only hope that bye-and-bye we shall have some of our other colonies sending detachments to compete at Shoeburyness on these annual occasions. I regret to find that there is no representative of the Indian Artillery here; for although it is a small body, still I think it would be a great advantage in connecting the various outstanding portions of our Empire if that magnificent army