

Our English friends must understand once for all that whatever the trained soldier in the Regular army may know of the science of warfare and its practical application in the fields of Europe or the East, there is a very different state of matters to be encountered on this Continent, and it would be as well to recollect that the Regular troops suffered their most serious as well as disgraceful defeats at the hands of a Militia not half as effective as the Canadian army.

In judging our force, therefore, by the standard of the Regular army the *Broad Arrow* is endeavoring to make a comparison without a parallel case—the same conditions do not exist, nor is there any probability they ever will—our geographical position, climate, and the topography of the country renders invasion almost an impossibility—on a frontier of over 1000 miles continuous with our neighbours, and for one-third of the distance with scarce a mile of navigable water between, we could only be assailed at four points, and failure at any one would be destruction to the assailant—while actual success would not paralyze defence.

We have proved the Volunteer system to be that best adapted to our purpose, our soldiers are rapidly acquiring the knowledge of veterans, and our friends may rest assured the Canadian militia will be no discredit to the uniform they take pride in.

It would be doing the Canadian army a great service if leading Military journals like the *Broad Arrow* would give more attention to its organization, and we cannot help thinking from the description given of the chaotic state of the reorganized British army with its cumbersome devices and provisions that an analysis of our system might be profitable, and what has so admirably succeeded with the Englishman in the back-woods of Canada might be applicable to the Englishman in the fields of Surrey and Kent.

If Great Britain is anxious to know the state of our military force, the Canadian people are equally interested in the prosperity of the Regular and Reserve forces of their Sovereign.

Our readers will be pleased to learn the great success attending the efforts of the representatives of the Canadian army at Wimbledon. The articles from the *London Telegraph* copied in other columns are not only highly complimentary to our people, but honorable as well.

It will give the people of Great Britain an idea of what a *Volunteer army* properly organized really is, and will show them the necessity of bringing military science and practice to their own firesides if they mean to have a national *army* "worth the paper on which the Estimates for its support is written."

To those of our readers who have not been in England the value of the feat performed by the force under Major WORSLEY will not

be properly appreciated—inasmuch as they know that the Canadian army can produce marksmen of equal prowess—and a contest at the *bull's*, is so much a matter of course that the winning of a prize from over 2,500 individuals of the crack shots in Great Britain would be looked on as no extraordinary event.

Still the value of the achievement will be very much enhanced when it is known that the climate is much more variable than in Canada, and that the latter part of the match was shot under very unfavorable circumstances.

The description given by the *Telegraph* shows that the Canadians have achieved indeed a great victory.

The *Broad Arrow* has given its readers a very unfavorable impression of the morale of the rank and file of the British army, it does not appear that all the experiments which have been tried, tends in the slightest degree to improve the character of the private sentinel.

In another column will be found an article from the United States *Army and Navy Journal*, giving a description of the regular army of that power, as bad if not worse than that given of the British army.

It would appear to be an evil inherent in standing armies that service in their ranks should be abandoned to the worst characters in society, nor will it be remedied till the pay of the soldier is assimilated to his earnings as a civilian, and till military service is entwined in the minds of the people as the first duty to society.

The annual match of the Ontario Rifle Association is to take place at Toronto on 16th September and following days. Sir PERCY TALLEY's celebrated cup valued at 100 guineas, is to be shot for and prizes embracing in the aggregate over \$1500.

The Hastings Rifle Association will hold their fourth annual Rifle Match at Belleville, on Tuesday, August 6th. The list of prizes contains money and valuables for \$500. We trust our readers will patronize both matches largely as this is the sort of sport our people should engage in.

"We were greatly shocked yesterday morning at receiving a telegram informing us of the death of John Bolton, Esq., the Representative of Charlotte in the Canadian Commons. Mr. Bolton had just recovered from a severe attack of pleurisy and sciatica, during which he was afraid that his lungs might be seriously affected, but he thought all danger past, and a few days ago he wrote to us to say that he was almost quite well and that he hoped to be able this week to commence his canvass of the County. On Sunday he went to church, and no doubt thought that his health was fully re-established. On Monday morning he was dead.

It is said that the immediate cause of his death was disease of the heart. Mr. Bolton who was about 48 years of age, we believe, a native of England, and received his education in that country. He was partner in the firm of Chipman & Bolton, ship-builders and ship owners, and general merchants, of St. Stephen, for many years, during which he maintained a high character. In 1867 he first entered political life. He had been a Confederate, and it was generally supposed by those who knew little of that he would be a tame follower of the Government, but he soon gave evidence of the independence of spirit and the sterling honesty of purpose which actuated him throughout his whole Parliamentary career, and in the very first Session of the Dominion Parliament he won by his ability and integrity a high place in the esteem of all parties. There were few more able men than Mr. Bolton in the Canadian Commons: there was probably not one more esteemed and respected. He was ever listened to attentively, and his words, earnest, sincere frank and thoughtful, seldom failed to produce the effect he desired. His death is a loss not only to Charlotte, which was humbled in having such a man as its Representative, but to the whole Dominion, in which, unfortunately, the number of honest, intelligent, independent men, willing to take part in public life is not as great as could be desired."

The above extract from the *Freeman*, St. John, N.B., is one of many testimonies to the memory of the late member of the House of Commons for Charlotte in that Province. As he was well known in Ottawa his family have the sympathy of the community.

The German Emperor signed an order a few days ago giving the whole of the German field artillery the same organization as that which now exists in the Bavarian artillery. Each corps d'armes will consequently contain two sections of 4 foot-batteries each; the second will consist of six foot-batteries and two horse-batteries, the latter of which will be attached to the cavalry division. There will be as many regiments of field artillery in the German army as there are divisions, i.e. two attached to the guards corps and fifty-three to the line corps. In order to complete the artillery establishment in accordance with this scheme, a new battery will be attached to the 1st, 6th, 9th, and 10th corps of the guard, and two batteries to the 7th, 8th, and 11th corps.

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