

front were carried out, and the self-reliance and steadiness shown by this force, as well as by the armed inhabitants on the frontier.

The regular troops were kept in support, except on the Huntingdon frontier, where one Company took part in the skirmish.

The Proclamation of the President, and the arrival of the Federal troops at St. Albans and Malone, were too late to prevent the collection and transport of war-like stores, and an inroad into Canada.

The reproach of invaded British territory and the dread of insult and robbery have thus been removed by a handful of Canadians, and the Lieut.-General does not doubt that such services will receive the recognition of the Imperial Government.

The Lieut.-General congratulates the Militia upon this exhibition of their promptness, discipline and training, and in dismissing the men to their homes, he bids them carry with them the assurance that their manly spirit is a guarantee for the defence of Canada."

Thus terminated the second and last Fenian raid into Canada, both of which showed that the Militia of that day possessed, as I believe does that of the present day—that spirit of loyalty, pluck and endurance which first showed itself in the repulse of Montgomery at Quebec, in 1776, and which, in 1812-14, at Detroit, Lundy's Lane, Queenstown Heights, Chrysler's Farm, and Chateauguay, enabled it to save Canada to the British Crown, and shed upon it a lustre of which any nation might be proud, and which time can never efface.