

approachable from that point." It will be interesting, in this connection also, to call attention to an item in the Toronto Globe of June 1st, 1862, which reads, "Last night Col. Coffin delivered a lecture in St. Lawrence Hall on the Defence of Canada to an audience of city volunteers and officers of the Sedentary Militia. One of the most important points for the defence of Canada, Col. Coffin considered, was Penetanguishene."

Capt. Baddely was another officer of the Royal Engineers who surveyed the North Shore as far as Lake Nippising.

Maj.-Gen. A. R. Vingan Crease, Royal Engineers, son of the late Capt. Henry Crease of the Royal Navy, was here in 1851 and was the author of a sketch of Penetanguishene's Main Street as it was then and of the Garrison grounds and buildings, the sketches being now in the John Ross Robertson Collection, Toronto. Maj.-Gen. Crease joined the Army in 1846, was Colonel in 1881, served in the Crimean War, 1855-6 under Sir R. H. Vivyan in command of the engineer force with the Turkish contingent and commanded the engineers during the occupation of Kertch by the allies; served under Sir Hugh Rose, commanding the 21st Co. of Royal Engineers with the Central India field force at the battle of Antsee and the capture of Gwalior during the Indian Mutiny in 1858, receiving medal and clasp. He commanded the Royal Engineers in South Africa, 1881-5, retiring in the last year with the rank of Maj.-Gen. and finishing his public career as Lieut.-Governor of the Isle of Guernsey. As Commandant of the Royal Engineers for the Northern district of Canada he surveyed the route for the Georgian Bay Ship Canal, which after 65 years is still in the incipient survey stage, though it is just possible the reference is made to the Huron-Ontario Ship Canal from Toronto to Collingwood, which is still further in the distant future. Major-Gen. Crease died at Warrior Gardens, St. Leonard-on-the-Sea, in October, 1892, at 66 years of age. He was married twice and left one son, who is manager of the Parliament St. branch of the Bank of Commerce, Toronto.

Lieut.-Col. R. H. Bruyeres commanded the Royal Engineers in Canada during the American War of 1812-15 and projected the opening of the Military road to this post, during the strenuous times of the threatened attack on Mackinaw, when, in the emergency the Nottawasaga route was chosen instead, but we have no information as to his having been at Penetanguishene though he may have been at some later date.