

15th Regiment embarked in the S. S. "Adelaide" for St. John. So turbulent was the sea, so great the hurricanes, so unseaworthy the steamship, the voyage was the history of a failure, and the troopship returned to Davenport for repairs. The writer, then a young captain in the regiment, was ordered to join the Depot at Pembroke Dock, after this voyage, where he remained for two years, rejoining the headquarters of the regiment in New Brunswick, in 1864.

Soon after this he was lent to the then Lieutenant, Governor, Sir Arthur Gordon, for militia service, for a somewhat delicate and difficult task, viz.: to re-organize the 1st Battalion, Kings Countys at Kingston. A meeting of persons interested in the militia had been called at a point near Kingston on the river bank

The embarrassment of the young captain was not diminished on finding a large gathering of influential men awaiting his arrival. He had sufficient presence of mind, however, on being introduced to the leading gentlemen, to advise an adjournment for luncheon; time for reflection, was thus secured. At a meeting at the court house in Kingston, after luncheon, of which he was chairman, he proposed that they proceed to nominate a lieutenant colonel, when a worthy gentleman, Hon. W. P. Flewelling, was nominated. Then proceeded the nomination of captains of companies, one for each parish of the Battalion limit, the staff being afterwards recommended by the Lieut. Colonel, and the Battalion was complete in officers, at least, and the meeting, ending with cheers for the Queen, was considered a success. In July, 1865, on the resignation of Lieut. Colonel Anderson, Lieut. Colonel Maunsell took over the duties of Adjutant General, and, on the return of Sir Arthur Gordon from a visit to England, in November 1865, he (Lieut. Colonel Maunsell) was gazetted to that post, thus succeeding distinguished officers