

about the camp, and lest the design of the whole should not be grasped, the words, "Fort Denison, Humboldt," on a long streamer informed the onlooker. On the wall at the rear of the stage appeared a banneret with the inscription, "Some of the boys who faced the music," and below, a large painting with portraits of Lieut.-Cols. Williams, Denison, Grassett and Miller, and the motto "Defence, not defiance." About 200 couples took part in dancing, while seven or eight hundred spectators viewed the festive throng from the galleries. Quarter Master Sergeant Tilley, Corps. Thompson and Eager, Troopers B II, Hamilton, Carter, Campbell and Pearsoll acted as Masters' of Ceremonies. Among those present were Lieut.-Col. G. T. Denison, Lieut.-Col. Gilmor, Lieut.-Col. F. C. Denison, Lieut.-Col. Shaw, Majors Dunn and Smith, Captains Trotter, Blain, Mutton and E. Denison, Quarter-Master Sloan, Dr. White, Lieuts. Lowe, Beaty, Merritt, Myles, Browning and Brock, Lieut. Keefer, D. G. (Ottawa); Dr. Baldwin, Lieut. E. H. T. Heward, Adjutant Quebec Cavalry School, Captain Clarence Denison, Lieut. Fleming (Weston); Baron Von Heimrod, German Consul; G. Musson, Brazilian Consul; E. Bendelari, Italian Consul.

A meeting of officers of the city corps was held on Thursday, to make arrangements for holding a Garrison Ball, which we foreshadowed as being on the cards some time ago.

OTTAWA.—The largest and most distinguished audience that ever filled the Royal Theatre was present last night at the performance of "Youth" for the benefit of the North-west contingent reception fund; to make good a number of unforeseen expenses incurred in connection with the banquet last summer. His Excellency the Governor-General arrived at eight sharp, and was received with a salute by a contingent of the 43rd Rifles drawn up across the front of the stage, the band of that regiment playing the national anthem. Sir Adolphe Caron, Sir Frederick Middleton, and His Worship the Mayor occupied boxes, and the general and many officers attended in uniform. The well-known play was carried through most successfully, the only drawback being somewhat long intervals between the acts, necessitated by the limited space in the stage of the theatre. Making allowance for this Mr. Gilmour is to be heartily congratulated on his success as a stage manager, success the more surprising when we remember that in addition to this arduous duty he filled the principal rôle, and filled it admirably.

The troops required in the play were supplied by volunteer detachments from the 43rd Rifles and Ottawa Field Battery, who filled their parts in a manner which caused many explanations of pleased surprise. In the middle of the battle scene a Gatling gun was run on the stage by a detachment of artillerymen, amid wild applause, and a sand bag battery was thrown up with a promptitude that would have surprised regulars. The band of the 43rd under the leadership of Mr. Greenfield, played two interludes on the stage which were greatly appreciated.

St. Johns, P.Q.—The n. c. o. and men of B Co'y, I. S. C., are getting up an entertainment to be held in the Opera House, on the 29th. Both last year and this winter a series of concerts have been held by the company similar to those that proved so successful in "A" Battery. Sergt.-Major Phillips seems to be the moving spirit in all this work designed for the recreation and mental improvement of the corps.

GLEANINGS.

The Government are continuing their policy of relieving the wants of the Halfbreeds in the districts affected by the rebellion. Col. Herchmer is superintending the distribution in the Batocho district, and has already granted relief to many families in the form of food supplies.

A general meeting of the Williams Memorial Association was held in Port Hope on the 20th, Judge Benson in the chair, when the Treasurer reported that over \$1,400 had already been received, and collecting agents were appointed as follows:—Mr. Marshall Thompson for the townships of Hope, Cavan, Manvers and South Monaghan; Mr. Wm. Craig for the City of Belleville; Messrs. Riordan and Burton for ward 1; Mulholland and R. B. Williamson for ward 2; Galletley and W. G. Stevenson for ward 3 of Port Hope; Mr. Clems for Kingston; Mr. J. L. Reid for Bowmanville; Mr. Baines for Toronto, and Mr. J. F. Clark for the merchants of Toronto. We bespeak for these gentlemen the cordial reception which their laudable object merits.

Toronto.—The first annual meeting of the new Ontario Artillery Association was held on the 14th, according to announcement, when the officers were elected. The Executive Committee was instructed to examine and report on the ranges at Port Colborne, Grimsby and Port Hope, with a view of obtaining a suitable permanent range for the province. The following batteries have already affiliated: Ottawa, Hamilton, Kingston, London, Welland Canal, Toronto, No. 1 Guelph, Durham, Gananoque, No. 2 Guelph, Field Batteries, and Cobourg, Toronto and Collingwood Garrison Batteries.

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