

displayed in holding the City of Montréal in military occupation upon the occasion of anticipated alarming riots, which, by his judicious disposition of the troops, and firm action were happily prevented.

In 1875, he made a journey of inspection across the entire continent to British Columbia and Vancouver Island, a distance of about 2,500 miles, on horseback—the first British General Officer who has done so.

He is President of the Dominion of Canada Artillery Association. Upon the Queen's birthday, May 24, 1877, Her Majesty appointed him Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and in October of the same year promoted him to Lieutenant-General, as a reward for meritorious and distinguished services; he received, in the February following, a reward of one hundred pounds annually, in addition to his military emoluments.

Lady Selby Smyth, his wife, is Lucy Sophia Julia, daughter of Major-General Sir Guy Campbell, Bart., and granddaughter of Lord Edward Fitzgerald—married November 20, 1848. They have one son and one daughter. The son, Edward Guy Selby Smyth, is Aide-de-Camp to his father, and Lieutenant of the 86th Royal Regiment. The daughter and mother remain at the family residence, Manor House, Thames Ditton, Surrey, England.

The Lieutenant-General has been round the Cape of Good Hope eleven times; has visited Algeria, and Northern as well as Southern Africa and much of Europe, Asia and America; and is a very communicative and rich entertainer in the private circle. He ought to write a book of travels and exploits. He has the ability, and must have the material for preparing a very entertaining work.

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JAMES ALEXANDER GRANT, one of the most eminent physicians and surgeons in the Dominion, was born in Inverness-shire Scotland, August 8th, 1830. He is son of Dr. James Grant, of Edinburgh, many years a prominent surgeon in Glengarry, Ontario, and a grandson of James Grant, Esq., author of "Essays on the Origin of Society" and "Thoughts on the Origin and Descent of the Gael." Soon after the publication of the latter work, the author was presented with a large silver vase, with the following inscription: "Voted by the Highland Society of Scotland to James Grant, Esq., of Corrimony, Advocate, as a testimony of his treatise on the Origin and Descent of the Gael, 1819." This work was a prize essay, with all Scotland to compete with, and the vase, which is in the possession of the grandson, is no doubt very