

CONQUEST OF CANADA.

In another column will be found an article concerning "An Editorial Lunatic" from the Buffalo Advertiser. Unfortunately for the success of his proposition to buy the Canadians like so many sheep in the shambles for \$100,000,000, there are not very many in England of the sordid nature of the Manchester school, and a serious proposition of so degrading a nature would rouse the old sea-lion in the breast of Englishmen in such a way as to make the proposer repent his temerity. As to the conquest of Canada, with the help of "Lee and Longstreet, and Taylor, Hampton, and Beauregard," we are pretty certain that instead of "jumping to don the blue and fight under the old flag" those gallant Southerners would hail the opportunity to again unfurl the "bonny blue flag" and again assert the independence of their country; and if such an event should take place under such circumstances they would succeed; and our position would be none the less secure in consequence.

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS VOLUNTEER CAVALRY.

That fine troop of Volunteer Cavalry, the Sherbrooke Hussars, commanded by Captain Stevens, on the occasion of their being called together in October last, to hear the new Militia Bill read over, and the clauses of the same explained to them by the officer commanding, volunteered to a man to sign the re-enlistment roll, and such was the enthusiasm displayed by these stalwart troopers, that instead of the roll being filled up to the strength of 56 N. C. O. and privates, it would have been as easy for their gallant Captain to have obtained 75 or even 100 names.

Captain Stevens has served upwards of five years in his present rank, and will doubtless soon obtain his due promotion, being an active and zealous officer, and, moreover, in possession of a first-class cavalry certificate from the Board of Officers.

MILITARY ASYLUM.—In another column will be found an article on this subject. The institution referred to is a most deserving one, and we hope that steps will be taken to assist it in the Ottawa district and, in fact, in every district.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION.—A Rifle Association, in connection with the Dominion Association, has been formed for the County of Lambton, of which Lieutenant-Colonel Davis, of the 27th Battalion, was elected President, Alexander Vidal, Esq., Treasurer, and Captain Seager, Secretary.

AN EDITORIAL LUNATIC.

From the Buffalo Commercial Advertiser.

Mr. Joseph Medill, formerly a sub-editor on the Chicago Tribune, and more recently leading editor of the Republican, has written a letter to General Rawlins, setting forth the absolute necessity for the acquisition of British North America by the United States, and attempting to give the reasons why we must speedily annex that vast territory. The method suggested by which we are to get it, whether the inhabitants, or Great Britain, are willing or not, is decidedly novel. It shows that "Joe" is really ambitious of notoriety at any price, or that he "is mad as a March hare."

After citing, as precedents, the action of various nations in the way of forcible annexation, Medill coolly proposes that we take British North America in the same way! The details and results of his scheme we give in his own words. He says:

"Great Britain has wronged us, inflicted terrible harm on us, tried to destroy our Union, and almost did destroy our foreign shipping. She has made no apology or reparation. Reverdy Johnson has disgraced us and proved himself an old flunkey and a disgraceful snob. Gen. Grant, 100 days hence, will be President. He has a party of tremendous strength to support him. The reconstruction question was settled by his election. Very little remains to be done. The Democracy are going to abandon the issue they have fought us on for four years. He has an opportunity to immortalize his administration, and place his fame high above all Presidents who have preceded him. Let him say to Great Britain, 'We will give you a receipt in full for all the damages and injuries, and \$100,000,000, and take your North American Colonies, which are of no use to you, but would be valuable to us.' If England refuses, then take possession of the territory, and in the treaty of peace she will be glad to accept the hundred millions. She can't hold the Canadas ninety days against Gen. Grant. Sound the bugle, and enough of the old veterans will rally in a month to sweep the Dominion as fast as they can march over it. The campaign should be as sharp and decisive as that of Prussia against Austria, which added one-third of Germany to Prussia. The Irish element would flock to the support of Grant en masse, and all the ex-rebel soldiers he could

accept would be glad to fight under his standard, and thus would be restored an era of conciliation with the South. Lee, and Longstreet, and Hood, and Johnson, and Taylor, Hampton and Beauregard, would jump at the opportunity to don the "blue" and fight under the old flag. Just let the General say the word, and the people will rally to his support as one man for the acquisition of the Dominion."

If the above does not settle, beyond all question, the claims of Mr. Joseph Medill, to wear a straight jacket as part of his daily apparel, and to have careful and constant supervision over his goings and comings, then we will admit that all the rest of mankind are lunatics.

42ND BATTALION.—The Brockville Recorder has much pleasure in learning that all the Volunteer companies constituting the 42nd battalion of infantry, commanded by Lieut.-Colonel Buell, have been enrolled.

PRESENTATION.—Col. Foster met the N. B. Regiment of Artillery at Major Pick's drill room, east end of Princess street, on the evening of the 31st, for the purpose of presenting a medal to gunner J. Burns.

MILITARY.—The "Prince of Wales" battery, commanded by Brevet Major Pick, have forwarded to the Adjutant General's office a roll of sixty-one officers and men. This, we believe, is the first roll forwarded from this section of New Brunswick under the new law, which requires three years' service; and the battery which it embraces is the oldest organization of the kind in the city.—*St. John (N. B.) News.*



CANADA.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS, OTTAWA, JANUARY 8, 1869.

GENERAL ORDERS.

Volunteer Militia.

No. 1.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Ottawa Brigade Garrison Artillery.

No. 1 Battery.

To be 1st Lieutenant:
2nd Lieutenant A. P. Patrick, vice Gemmill, resigned.
To be 2nd Lieutenant:
Sergeant James Cuzner, vice Patrick, promoted.

No. 5 Battery.

To be 1st Lieutenant, (provisionally):
2nd Lieutenant Arthur Godfrey Molson Spragge, from No. 6 Battery.
2nd Lieutenant G. R. Perry, having left the limits, is hereby struck off the list of Officers.

59th "Stormont and Glengarry" Battalion of Infantry.

No. 3 Company, Cornwall.

To be Captain (provisionally):
Ensign Peter Grant MacLennan, vice A. F. McIntyre, whose resignation is hereby accepted.
To be Ensign (provisionally):
Henry Turner, Gentleman, vice MacLennan, promoted.

Russell Infantry Company.

To be Captain, (provisionally):
Lieut. Wm. Z. Helmer, vice J. R. Craig, whose resignation is hereby accepted.
To be Lieutenant, (temporary):
Ensign Ephraim Loucks, M. S., vice Helmer, promoted.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

5th Battalion "The Royal Light Infantry," Montreal.

The resignation of Captain John G. Savage is hereby accepted, he being allowed to retire retaining his rank.

53th "Compton" Battalion of Infantry.

To be Surgeon:
Abraham Hopkins, Esquire.
To be Assistant Surgeon:
Eli Ives, Esquire.

Ste. Therese Rifle Company.

Lieutenant Olivier Desjardins, having left the limits, is hereby struck off the list of Officers.

The formation of the following Corps is hereby authorized, Officers provisionally, viz:

An Infantry Company at St. Georges and St. Sebastien, County of Iberville, to be No. 5 Company, 21st Batt., "The Richelieu Light Infantry."

To be Captain:
J. L. Roys, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
J. E. Godreau, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
L. H. Trudeau, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Arthabaska Station, County of Arthabaska.

To be Captain:
Charles Desjardins, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
Aime Beaubien, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Louis Rainville, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Lotbiniere, County of Lotbiniere.

To be Captain:
J. O. Filteau, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
T. H. Laliberte, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
V. E. Courteau, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Ste. Justine de la Trappe, County of Dorchester.

To be Captain:
Louis Mercier, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
J. E. Cayouette, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Theodore Cayouette, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Cap St. Ignace, County of Montmagny.

To be Captain:
L. J. E. Desjardins, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
S. Gamache, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
B. Methot, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at L'Islet, County of L'Islet.

To be Captain:
J. O. Giasson, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
Joseph Labourdais, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Jos. Chalifoux, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Kamouraska, County of Kamouraska.

To be Captain:
Vincelous Tache, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
Arthur Michaud, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Joseph Dessaint, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at L'Ancienne Lorette, County of Quebec.

To be Captain:
Victor de Lotbiniere Laurin, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
Michael Fiset, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Louis Napoleon Laurin, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at Deschambault, County of Portneuf.

To be Captain:
Etienne Fecteau, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
A. D. Hamelin, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Wilbrod Mayrand, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at St. George de Cacouna, County of Temiscouata.

To be Captain:
Thomas C. Ely, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
A. H. Jean, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
Jean Paradis, Gentleman.

An Infantry Company at St. Jerome, de Matane, County of Rimouski.

To be Captain:
J. G. Larochelle, Esquire.
To be Lieutenant:
Thomas Fraser, Gentleman.
To be Ensign:
George Sylvain, Junior, Gentleman.

Province of New Brunswick.

Newcastle Field Battery.

To be 1st Lieutenant, (provisionally):
2nd Lieutenant Edmund C. Tozer.
To be 2nd Lieutenant, (provisionally):
James White, Junior, Gentleman.

No. 2.
The following Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Troopers of Militia and others, have been granted Certificates by the Commandant of the Cavalry School.

TORONTO.

FIRST CLASS.

Major James F. Macleod, 45th Batt. Vol. Militia.
do Alexander McKenzie, 35th do do do
do Acheson Gosford Irvine, 55th do do do
Lieut. Walter Keating, 35th, do do
Trooper Gaston Smith, Gov. Gen's Body Guard.
do William H. Cooper, do do do do
do Walter Leonard Orde, Port Hope Troop V. C.
do Thomas Copeland, Oak Ridges do do
do James Ward, Cobourg do do do
do Glenn Elliot, London Field Battery.
Mr. Henry E. Crawford, of Brockville.

The following Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers, Gunners, Privates of Militia and others, have been granted certificates by the Commandants of the Gunnery Schools, which

they respectively attended:

TORONTO.

FIRST CLASS.

Lieut. Thomas O'Brien, Retired List.
" Allen Poynter Patrick, Ottawa Brigade Gar. Art.
" Stephen Lett, 35th Battalion Volunteer Militia.
Ensign James Evans, 46th " "
Sergt. John George Davey, 4th Battalion G. T. R. Brigade.
Gunner William Moore Elliot, Toronto Field Battery.
" Samuel Sidney Chisholm, Toronto Garrison Battery.
" William Albert Shaw, do do do.
Private Alfred Ernest Fisher, 27th Batt. Volunteer Militia.
" Timothy D. Stickell, 40th Batt. do
" George Kennedy Creighton, 35th do
Mr. Sylvester Smith, of Belleville.
Mr. Jocoffy O'Hara, of Toronto.

SECOND CLASS.

Mr. Henry Osborne Jones, of Toronto.

MONTREAL.

FIRST CLASS.

Lieut. Col. Robert Lovelace, Vol. Mil. Cavalry.
Capt. J. P. Fletcher, 21st Batt. Vol. Militia
Lieut. J. G. Bell, 41st do do
Ensign & Adj. John Allen, 3rd do do
Cr.-Sergt. William Taylor, 3rd do do
Drill-Sergt. John Porteous 1st do do
Bombardier John Ross, Montreal Gar. Artillery.
Gunner G. E. Tabb, do do
Mr. James McNeece, of Quebec.
Mr. J. M. Antrobus, of Three Rivers.
Mr. Dunbar Browne of Montreal.
Mr. George H. McDonnell, of Glengarry.
Mr. J. E. Matthews, of Richmond, Q.
Mr. Henry LeJeune, of Montreal.

No. 3.

ACTIVE MILITIA.

The following Candidates for Commission in the Active Militia have received Certificates from the Commandants of Schools of Military Instruction:

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Regimental Divisions.	Names.
Dundas.....	Solomon Stewart, Gentleman, Lennox & Ad-
dington.....	James A. Mabec, do
Simcoe.....	Captain David A. Wigmore.

SECOND CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Hastings.....	Harvey L. Henderson, Gent,
Lennox & Ad-	dington.....
do.....	Simeon J. Chrysdale, do
do.....	George G. Mabec, do
Norfolk.....	George A. Ryerson, do
Simcoe.....	Allan A. McKenzie, do
Waterloo.....	George O. Stanton, do
York.....	Richard Ellis, do

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

FIRST CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Regimental Divisions.	Names.
L'Assomption.....	Leonidas de Salaberry, Gent,
Beaurharnois.....	George H. Macdonell, do
Prescott & Rus-	sell, Ont.....
do.....	Captain George W. Johnson,
Quebec.....	Henry A. Moore, Gentleman,

SECOND CLASS CERTIFICATES.

Bellechasse.....	Jules Poliquin, Gentleman,
Berthier.....	Charles D. Lavallee, do
Carleton, Ont.....	Thomas J. Potter, do
Chambly.....	Stanislas Barre, do
do.....	M. J. Edmour Chagnon, do
Chicoutimi.....	Benjamin Vandal, do
Hochelaga.....	Charles L. Cane, do
do.....	Cecil A. Carter, do
do.....	Frederick C. Henshaw, do
do.....	Frederick O. Seebold, do
do.....	Aristide Ste. Marie, do
do.....	Louis A. Nadeau, do
do.....	Harry George Northcote, do
do.....	Wolfred D. E. Nelson, do
Levis.....	Jean B. Boutin, do
Quebec.....	James Rodden, do
do.....	H. A. Brocklesby, Jr., do
do.....	Alex. J. Gilmore, do
do.....	Sylla Cote, do
do.....	Norbert Therien, do
do.....	Pierre Lemelin, do
do.....	Remy Boucher, do
do.....	Jean B. Gingras, do
do.....	Charles S. Douglas, do
Richelieu.....	Charles E. A. Johnstone, do
Richmond.....	John E. Matthews, do
Saguenay.....	John Buckle, do
Shefford.....	Michael H. Cox, do
Temiscouata.....	Daniel Gaudry, do

Erratum.—In General Order dated the 11th December, 1868, for "Edwin Brokowski, Gentleman," read "Edwin Brokowski, Gentleman."

No. 4.

RESERVE MILITIA.

Regimental Division of York, (Ontario.)
The "Weston" pupils Drill Association.

A Drill Association is hereby authorized at the village of Weston, in the Regimental Division of York, under the superintendence of the Reverend W. A. Johnson, to be composed of the Masters and pupils of the Weston Schools, and to be styled "The Weston pupils Drill Association."

By Command of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government.

WALKER POWELL, Lt. Colonel,
D. A. G. Militia,
Canada.