

Annual General Meeting.

Proceedings of an Annual General Meeting held in the Private Bills Committee Room, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, on Thursday, the 15th of April, 1897.

Lt-Colonel the Hon. E. Gawlor Prior, M.P., President of the Association, occupied the chair.

Present:—His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, Governor General, accompanied by Captain Wilberforce, Queen's Bays, A.D.C.; Major General Gascoigne, Comdg. the Militia, accompanied by Captain McLean, A.D.C.; Sir Donald A. Smith, K.C.M.G.; Colonels Panet, Deputy Minister of Militia; Hon. M. Aylmer, Adj. General; Lake, Quarter Master General; Lt.-Colonels Duchesnay, Comdg. M. D. No. 7; Otter, Comdg. M. D. No. 2; D. T. Irwin, A. A. G. of Artillery; Montizambert, Inspector of Artillery; Cotton, Inspector of Artillery; d'Orsonnens, Comdg. M. D. No. 6; J. Macpherson, Director of Stores; Frank King, M.D., 7th Field Battery; McKenzie, 8th Field Battery; A. H. Macdonald, Artillery Reserve; D. A. Macdonald, Infantry Reserve; Coutlée; Drury, R.C.A.; Surgeon Lt.-Colonel Campbell, D.S.G.; Mr. Earl, M.P.; Majors Farley, R.C.A.; Bliss, D.A.A.G.; Donaldson, Artillery Reserve; Imlah, R.C.A.; Hibbard, 2nd Regt. C. A.; Hurdman, 2nd Field Battery; Captains Costigan, 3rd Field Battery; Dixon, Engineer Reserve; MacNachtan, Cobourg Co'y; Wynne, Barton, Featherstone and English, 2nd Regt. C. A.; Klock, 2nd Field Battery; Wicksteed, Retired List; Lieutenants Cole and Renouf, 2nd Regt. C. A., &c., &c.

The President, after calling the meeting to order, said the Association might congratulate itself that on the twenty first anniversary—its coming of age, as it were—they were favored with such an attendance. He had seen former annual meetings where the attendance was just as large, numerically, but never had he seen so many heads of Establishments present as there were at this meeting. They were again favored with the presence of His Excellency the Governor General. Lord Aberdeen had shown that he had the good of Canada at heart. He was interested, moreover, in the force, as his attendance indicated. They had also with them a truly representative Canadian (Sir Donald Smith) who had travelled on his merit to one of the very highest positions of honor in the

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