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For the REVIEW.

FAMELESS HEROES.

BY MARY A. MIVER.

A song for the noble dead Who left behind no name, Who toiled and bravely bled, Their worth unknown to Fame!

For the soldier laid to rest
In earth his blood had bought,
By those who loved him best
His nameless grave unsought.

For the sailor gone to sleep In Ocean's sparry caves, Where wild winds o'er him sweep And sea-weed sadly wayes.

For the exile forced to leave His home, his native streams, For the lone ones left to grieve Who saw him but in dreams.

For all those, whate'er their land, Whate'er their creed or tongue, Shall rise an anthem grand By a million voices sung! OTTAWA, Nov., 1867.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL ANTHEM.

The following stanzas are from the pen of FENNINGS TAYLOR, Esq., Clerk of the Upper House, and a gentleman well-known as one of our most finished Canadian writers.

God bless the dear old country, may He defend her cause.

May, virture guide her rulers, may wisdom make her laws

God bless our gracious Sovereign, and the Princes of her line,

God bless her loving subjects of every race and clime.

tiod, bless our new-born Nation, stern Empress of the North;

Pure offspring of high counsel, fair child of patriot worth;

The dear old flag is our flag, to bear through fame or loss—

Britannia's flag of free-lom! the glorious triple e.oss!

Golspeed the New Dominion, thus prays each patriot soul;

Its flanks are mighty oceans, its base the Northern Pole;

Oh! right noble is the royalty for noble men to sway,

Then banish fears and crown with cheers, our first Dominion day,

An trishman, just from the sod, was eating some old cheese, when he found to his dismay that it contained inhabitants. "Bejabbers," said he, "does your cheese in this country have childer?"

STORIES ILLUSTRATIVE OF CANADIAN HISTORY.

BY CARROLL RYAN.

No. XIV.—L'ENVOY.

There is a pleasing satisfaction always attending the completion of any work which has cost more than ordinary care and labor; a sense of having done something, (that for the time that has been given you, you have something to show,) although it may be but little, is proof that one has not wasted all his hours in idleness. But this pleasing sense of completed labors unfortunately is not mine, for I am most reluctantly compelled to discontinue these stories for some time to come, but I hope on some future day to return to these topics, as they have a charm only equalled by poetry for which, as Bulwer Lytton said, "I have all the lingering fondness of a first love.'

In Canadian History is to be found all that the most devoted lover of romance could desire, and the wildest story constructed for sensation will find as strange and wonderful parallels in the traditional tales of our young and beautiful country. The firmest courage, the highest heroism, and the most exalted patriotism, have been displayed in the lives of the early settlers of Canada, not only in combating the natural difficulties of climate and forest, but in defending the homes they had created from the destroying hand of the invader and the savage.

I feel that it is unfortunate that I should have to discontinue these stories at that particular era in Canadian History which is undoubtedly the most heroic in our annals. The war which began in defeat and disaster for British arms in all parts of the world, but more especially on this continent, was brought to a glorious and triumphant close upon the heights of Abraham, by the gallant Wolfe From this same war may be dated the rise of the new nationality in the American colonies of Great Britain, for it was from beholding the incapacity, selfishness and blundering of English commanders that the Colonists formed an idea of their own power, and when unjust taxation gave a pre-

text they did not fear to meet the demands of the Home Government by open and armed hostility. But greater and more unexpected results were to follow than even the most devoted lover of liberty had dared to dream of; and many a "red field of battle" in Europe, Asia and Africa was to write with blood on the bosom of the earth that awful lesson which has been written so often, and so often forgotten.

The History of a people is written on the land they inhabit; the traveller to whom the sight of many lands is familiar, easily learns the story of a country by passing through it. Every step he takes is illustrated in a manner too striking to avoid observation. Canada more than any nation, except perhaps the United States, shows her history to those who pass along her great rivers, loiter in her hybrid cities, or wander through the byways of her forests. Little is there in the wild grandeur of our country to attract those who seek a life of luxury and idleness; there is on the contrary a strong demand for active exertion from the nature of the climate and the necessities of life, for here all must labor. This it is which has made our people to-day the firm, hardy and independent race we behold battling with the giants of Forest and Stream, and making a paradise out of a howling wilderness.

The loyalty and patriotism inherent in the breast of every Canadian offer the best guarantee for the prosperity and liberty of thecountry; and it only needs proper direction to their impulses to place on the most lasting foundation the young and glorious Empire of the North. In turning for a while from this path, where I have gained so much that was instructive and from which I have gathered so many pleasing memories. I would ask those who have so far patiently listened to me, to forgive my many faults and omissions, and, if I have not performed the task as well as it should have been performed, the fault of the execution lies in the hand not the heart. That which is a labor of love, has its reward in fruition. Having intruded thus far I will retire, but not without the hope of resuming at some future day the pleasing labor.

BATTALION CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM YORK, O.

The second annual dinner of the 37th Battalion Haldimand Rifles, was held in the Battalion Drill Shed, at York, on Saturday the 19th ultime, in order to recognize the assistance given by the County in the erec tion of drill sheds for the Battalion and the various companies, and also to celebrate the opening of the Battalien headquarters' shed in a fitting manner. Invitations were sent to the members of the County Council and many prominent citizens of the county, and a large number sat down to table. In addition to the officers of the Battalion were many officers of the Sedentary Militia, who, with the County Council and county officials, were the guests of the evening. The Drill Shed was handsomely decorated with flags and evergreens, interspersed with appropriate mottoes, among which the characteristic motto of the Battalion, "We Advance," was conspicuous. The chair was occupied by Lieut. Colonel Davis, with Majors Thompson and Scoble as vice chairs. The tables were laden with good things, to which ample justice was done in the first instance. Then followed the usual loyal breadth. It is situated on a corner of a and patriotic toasts, viz:

with all the honors. Band-God Save the Qucen.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, and all the Royal Family. Cheers and Band-God Bless the Prince of Wales.

His Excellency the Governor General of Canada, Lord Monck." Cheers and Band— He's a Jolly Good Fellow.

Song by John Stewart, Esq.—The Real Old Irish Gentleman.

The Army and Navy of Great Britain .-Cheers and Band. Responded to in a very patriotic speech by Colonel Villiers.

The Warden and County Council of the County of Haldimand.—Cheers and Song— For they are Jelly Good Fellows. Responds sum. It is not only a credit to the county ed to by John McClelland, Esq., Reeve of generally, who are liberally disposed to the

with the names of Colonels Martin, Farrell and Young. Cheers and Band. Responde been erected for the use of the Battalion. He has been most indefatigable not only in Farrel and Martin, after which Colonel Far this, but in everything that could promote

Battalion. Great cheering. Responded to under his command: and through his well by Colonel Davis in an eloquent and patri- | directed and carnest efforts the 37th Battaotic speech.

then gave the following toasts, viz:

Prosperity to the Dominion of Canada.
Cheers. Responded to by John R. Martin in a feeling and patriotic manner.
Song by Dr. McCargow.
The County Officials, coupled with the name of Judge Stevenson. Cheers Responded to by Judge Stevenson in excellent

style.

energetic officer.

Song by Alex. Taylor, Eso.
The Adjutant General, Colonel Macdon gall, and Militia Staff, coupled with the name of Colonel Villiers. Cheers. Responded to by Colonel Villers in an excellent

Song by Captain Davis. The 2d vice-chairman, Major Scoble, then

The Queen's Own and the 13th Battalion, coupled with the name of Captum Jackson. Captain of No. 11 Company of Queen's Own, in June 1866. Cheers. Responded to by Captain Jackson in an appropriate manner.

Alex. Kinnear, Esq., here gave "The charge of the Six Hundred," in splended

style, and was loudly applauded.
The memory of the men who tell at Ridgeway. Drank in solemn silence.

Our Guests, coupled with the names of Captain Brown, of the Binbrook Company, and Alexander Taylor, Esq. Cheers. Reponded to by both gentlemen in an excellent manner.

Song by Dr. McCargow. Song by Major Scoble.

The Press, coupled with the name of Thoras Messenger, Esq. Responded to by Thomas Messenger, Esq., of the Nachem, and Dr. Harrison, of Selkirk.

The Ladies. Responded to by Captain McKinnon, No. 7 Co.

After which followed many volunteer toasts, until eleven o'clock, when the party

separated, after a most pleasant evening. The Drill Shed, which was opened on this occasion, is built on the Government plan, for a Company headquarters' shed, and is thirteen feet long by sixty-two feet in square block of land, with the Battalion The Queen-God bless her."-Received store-rooms, Orderly room, Officers Mess room, and care-taker's apartments, most excellently furnished and filled up, in a long building at right angles with the shed, thus inclosing on two sides a level and com modious parade ground. The whole is nicely fenced in, and a fine flagstaff gives an appropriate finish to the most compact and best finished Battalion headquarters west of Toronto. Too much praise cannot be given to the contractors, who, under Colonel Davis' careful supervision, have completed the buildings for a comparatively small Walpole, in an excellent speech.

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Colonel Davis and the 37th Haldimand the efficiency and well being of the regiment directed and earnest efforts the 37th Battalion is approaching, in organization, drill The 1st vice-chairman, Major Thompson, and discipline, that position to which they and all Volunteers should aspire.

FROM SAULT STE. MARIE.

An esteemed correspondent writes: The Smilt Ste. Marie Infinitry Co. was inspected on the 7th ultimo, by Licut. Colonel Durse, Assistant Adjutant General. The Colonel speech, in which he paid a high compliment through then drill (with the field pieces) to to Colonel McDougall, as an effic, at and the Colonel's satisfaction. The Company has been served with the Spider rifle.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29th, 1867.

The Military Commanders of the Depart ments of the South have very generally met with much odium from a large portion of the people of the North, but upon what grounds is not quito certain, few of the charges brought against them being tenable. That they have uniformly sought to carry out the instructions of Congress, is every day becom ing more and more apparent, and President Johnson's reasons for removing them, one after another, becoming daily more and more inexplicable. Scarcely more than the semblance of military law exists there, as is clearly shown in the correspondence between General Thomas, commanding the Department of Cumberland; and the War Department relative to the Municipal elections in Nashville, Tennessee. General Thomas asked the War Department which party he should recognize and support, and what support he should give. His roply from General Grant was. Interfere with no party, but preserve order if called upon. Plainer instructions could not be given. Yet, in spite of the efforts of Congress and the Authorities to produce something of order out of the chaos that the South was plunged into at the close of the war, disturbances of a serious nature are continually occurring between the whites and blacks. Not even the torrents of blood spilt during the war could wash away the life-long, deep scated prejudices of the two races. The proud, aristocratic Southerner, and the proud domineering Northerner, could but ill brook the idea of equality between the white and black races, even if the latter accepted the gift as such; but when the desire of the whites to render turdy justice to the blacks is but the signal for them to engage in lawlessness and offer insults and indignities to those who but lately called themselves their masters, it is quite natural that regret at what has been done, and a desire to remove the disturbing cause, should take the place of the former and more laud able desire. That is the case now. Many of the fiercest abolitionists are beginning to see and reluctantly admit that the blacks ought to be sent away, that they may acquire too much power; and that to allow them the full privileges of citizenship will be fraught with future danger to the Republic. Hence, the endeavors of the Military Commanders to preserve order and to ropress the wild lawlessness and the domineering and insulting conduct of the negroes, moet with ready approbation from the people, Yet, it will be long before the troops can be withdrawn and the South re-admitted into the Union without fear of unother outbreak, expressed himself pleased with the men, if, indeed, such can ever be done. The feel and the good condition of their clothing, mgs engendered during the war exist still arms, etc. The gone detachments went perhaps as intensely as ever, though such through then drill (with the field pieces) to torcible expression is not given to them, unless it be in denunciations of England and desire for tereinge upon that country for the

real or fancied wrongs suffered by the Americans during the war. Naturally this feeling causes some attention to be paid to affairs in Canada; and by far the most popular and prevalent idea is that Canada should belong to the United States, will ye nill ye. Of course, this is no new idea. It existed long ago; and the Monroe doctrine merely furnished its supporters an argument of their own making, on which to base, or rather by which to prop up, their absurd views. Nevertheless, that doctrine never had more adherents, or was more plainly and openly advocated than at present. Many of the more intelligent and thinking people, in view of the late Confederation of the Provinces, see that annexation is likely to be further than ever from accomplishment, if the British Dominions are allowed to consolidate and acquire strength, as they assuredly must do in a few years, and consequently say that now is the time to urge, and, if necessary, enforce annexation. Others again affect an indifference on the matter, and pretend that Canada is not worth having; while yet others seeing the inevitable quarrel with England that must insue, if any steps be taken by the United States openly to influence the Canadians, and not willing to acknowledge their fear of the consequences of such a quarrel, endeavour to salve their vanity by the reflection that Canada must eventually belong to the United States by the mere force of attraction; that, like a huge mælstrom, the States irresistibly draws every thing towards it: hence, spite of the efforts of England to retain Canada—which efforts the people here are too bigoted to see England does not make-Canada will naturally come into the Union, while for the present the enlightened subjects of the Republic are content to look on and smile at, and pity the people of Canada for their want of foresight.

Such a state of feeling as I have endeavored to describe, leads to but one conclusion. The United States is jealous of England having, even in name, any possessions on the American continent, and want the whole to themselves. People are not wanting who attribute to Seward a far seeing policy in obtaining possession of the Russian territory, so that whenever the time comes the United States may be able to surround the British Provinces, and so absorb them. We may, therefore, reasonably conclude that whenever a possible opportunity occurs, these opinions will assume tangible shape. The Americans think they could at any time invade Canada, and in much less time than they at first thought they could subdue the South, overrun and conquer the whole Dominion, and they may be only waiting a pretext for attempting such a course. This is no fancy of my own, or the wild ravings of a few fanatics here, but the calm deliberate opinion of a very large portion of the peo-ple; and such a movement would be decidedly popular. Of course we cannot suppose, that either the people or the Government of the United States would wilfully pick a quarrel with Canada or England, or would wan variety of intricate battalion movements, by band, to the parade ground, where they tonly invade Canada for the sole purpose of Colonel McEachern, with the execution of broke off.—Huntingdon Journal.

annexing it; but they would undoubtedly do so if a fair pretext could be offered, and the will to make such a pretext exists. Hence, it behoves the Canadians to continue their volunteer system with energy, so that in case of need they could at least keep their powerful neighbour at bay until substantial aid reached them from the Mother Country. That the struggle will take place, there can be but little doubt in the mind of any one who talks to, and hears the opinion of the people here. Such opinions do not often find expression either from the lips of public speakers or through the columns of the press, but are freely given utterance to in conversation, while at public meetings the lightest word reflecting upon England is met with enthusiasm, clearly indicating the tide of popular feeling. The knowledge of this should stir the Canadians to renewed efforts to acquire thorough efficiency in military matters, if they desire to retain their present connection with the MotherCountry, or aspire in the future to be an independent Kingdom.

The Journal of Commerce, a by no means uninfluential paper, lately said that England was anxious to settle the Alabama claims, but that the United States was more desirous for delay, as it would at some future time afford the needed pretext for the invasion of Canada.

VISIT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL TO HUNTINGDON.

As stated in our last, we were honored by a visit last week from the Adjutant General and Assistant Adjutant General of Canada. Those gentlemen arrived here from Montreal by way of Hemmingford, at about one o'clock on Wednesday, and after having partaken of some lunch at Mr. Barrett's, proceeded to examine the section of country and the different routes between this place and the Dundee Frontier. The roads were very much cut up owing to the recent heavy rains and the great amount of driving with loaded wagons which is done at present, and their drive was certainly a very muddy and disagreeable one. Having made a pretty thorough tour through the various roads on the Irish Ridge and over the Pine Plains, they arrived at Dundee village late in the evening, where they stopped some time to refresh themselves and horses. At a late hour they started for Huntingdon again, and got back here some time before daylight on the morning of Thursday. The invincible determination and indefatigable vigilance of the Assistant Adjutant General is nothing new to the people of this district, and we are glad to have had an opportunity of learning that he has a match in this respect in the Adjutant General himself. During the afternoon of Wednesday and the morning of Thursday, Colonel McEachern sent out orders in all directions to the officers and men of his battalion to turn out at eleven o'clock on Thursday forenoon for special drill and review, and at the hour appointed the officers and men of the 50th battalion, "Huntingdon Borderers," assembled in full muster on the parade ground, whence they marched, headed by the Huntingdon Band, to Mr. Schuyler's farm, where the review was to take place. Having arrived at the ground they were drawn up into line by order of the commanding officer and received the Adjutant General and Assistant Adjutant General, with the general salute. The battalion was then formed into open column right in front, and inspected, after which they were put through a

which the Adjutant General expressed himself highly pleased. The battalion was then formed into square and addressed by Col. McDougall, as follows:

Colonel McEachern, Officers and Men of the Huntingdon Borderers: When I left Ottawa I did not know that I should have the great pleasure of reviewing the Huntingdon Battalion, or I should have brought my military uniform, in order that I might pay you the respect which is your due; and I beg that you will, therefore, all of you, excuse the omission. Knowing that you had been so recently inspected, it did not appear at all possible that it would be convenient for the affirmation of the convenient for the affirmation of the convenient for the affirmation of the convenient for the convenient nient for the officers and men that the battalion should again muster; and I take it as a high personal compliment to myself, that you should have turned out for an inspection at such very short notice, in such num-Everything that I have seen has been most satisfactory; and I highly congratulate Colonel McEachern on his having the command of such a body of men; and I may with truth congratulate the men of this battalion on having at their very head a commanding officer such as Colonel McEachern, and on his being assisted by such field officers and company officers as I see here to-day. But I must go further and congratulate the Volunteers of this district at large on their having at their head an officer in whom I have such entire confidence as Lieutenant Colonel Osborne Smith, who has, I am rejoiced to find, gained the confidence and esteem of all who serve under him (Cheers). One of the first secrets of success in all military operations is that perfect confidence should be felt by all Volunteers in those whose duty it is to command and direct them, and I leave this district with the pleasant assurance that such is the case here. Colonel Smith has shown me what were his plans for meeting the threatened invasion of those ragamuffins calling themselves Fenians last year; and I am happy to assure you that I entirely ap prove of them. T go home with the very comfortable conviction that the Province possesses at one of its principal front doors such men as the Huntingdon Volunteers to meet any attack. I believe firmly that to deal with any such attacks as I believe to be possible, the Huntingdon Battalion is amply sufficient. In the very improbable contingency of the Fenians returning as far as Huntingdon, in any numbers, and which you would not have force enough to repel, I promise you that you shall have such a support as will render the event a certainty in your favor. You are now armed with the best weapon in the world—a weapon that makes you equal to four times the number of enemies on an equal field, and supposing those enemies to be as good as yourselves in all respects. In the case under consideration I should consider that on equal ground and with equal weapons the Huntingdon Borderers would be equal to at least four times their number of Fenians; and if we take into account the superiority of your weapons, I think one Borderer to about sixteen Fenians would be a fair allowance. I hope you will all consider your rifles as a sacred charge, and that you will take care they do not suffer any injury in your hands from inattention. I have only to say in conclusion that I shall have the satisfaction when I return to Ottawa of telling the Governor General what I think of you. Colonel McDougall and Colonel Smith then retired, after which the battalion was formed into line and marched through the principal streets of the village, headed by the

FOREIGN MILITARY ITEMS.

The New flag of the North German Bund -red, white, and Black-has been inaugurated in the Prussian navy with a salute twenty-six guns and other solemnitles.

Government has raised the reward from £100 to £300 for the apprehension of the Fenian murderors of the Bandsman M'Don ell in Bloomsbury.

Another Fenian outrage has taken place at Bloomsbury. A man suspected of being a spy was set upon by some Irishmen on Friday, and severely maltreated.

The white and blue uniform of the Aus trian troops is about to be replaced by gray blouses and looso red-trowsers, with grey

The total sum subscribed in France for the Pontifical Zonaves amounts to 1,125,000 francs, in 2,250 offerings of 500 francs each.

Sergeant Brott, killed in Manchester during the Fenian attack on the prison van, is claimed by an Irish paper as a native of that country. He entered a cavalry regiment from the King's County, according to this statement, and on his discharge joined the Manchester police.

NEGLECTED GRAVES.-The New York Tribune says that thousands of graves of Union soldiers interred in the cometeries at Chattanooga, Stone River, and Knoxville are unmarked by name or date, and bear only the inscription "Unknown," as a perpetual rebuke to the remissness of hospital officials during the earlier years of the war.

The New York Times says, General Sheridan is under greater obligations to Andrew Johnson than any man in America. Butfor him, Sheridan would almost infallibly, this joying its invigorating breezes, feasted and lionized, overwhelmed with banquetings. junketings, and all sorts of processions and demonstrations.

Maximilian's Troops.—The National Steamship Company's steamer Helvetia, which reached the Messey on Saturday morning, had on board among her passengers ninety-four soldiers, in charge of an officer, who belonged to the army of the late Empe. ror Maximilian. The disbanded troops which came home from Vera Cruz, by way of New York, are all Frenchmen, and bear evidence of the severity of the Mexican cl.mate and the campaign. Many of them were the "regulation" cap, whilst the majority had the wide Mexican sombrero.

DEPLORABLE RESULTS OF THE MEXICAN EXPERI Mexican expedition is coming out at Paris, and it is lamentable. It is now stated that, at one time, the 2nd Regiment of Zonaves was four days without food, and had to cut grass, donkeys, and the old dog of the regiment. Out of 2,300 men composing it, when sent to Mexico, only 1,100 returned. Of a company of the 99th Regiment, left at Vera one.

THE EFFECTS OF THE NEW MILITARY ARMS. An article in the Moniteur gives some interesting details of the effoots of the new military arms. According to the writer, the improvements made in cannon and muskets. far from increasing the slaughter on the field of battle, have diminished it. He gives the subjoined figures: -- At Austerlitz the French loss 14 per cent., of the effective engaged, the Russian 30 per cent., and the Austrian 44. At Wagram the French 13 percent, and the Austrian 14. At Borodino the French 37 per cent., and the Russian 44. At Bautzen the French 13, and the Russians and Prussians 14 per cent. At Waterloo the French 36, and the Allies 31 per cent. At Magenta the French 7, and Austrians 8. At Solferino the French and Sardinians 20, and the Austrians Sper cent. According to the report of the United States General Rosencrunz, at the battle of Murfreesbore it remired 37 cannon shot and 155 musket balls to kill one man. In each soldier of the enemy killed there was an expenditure of 900 lbs. weight of iron. The mortality in armies is not due to the field of battle, but to disease, bivouacking on cold nights, halting in the midst of snow, marches under a burning sun-These are the real and terrible foes of the soldier.

THE LONDON INSH VOLUNTEERS AND SER-GEAST GROVES .- On Saturday night the London Irish Riffo Volunteers mustered in full force in the quadrangle of Somerset House for their first march out since the summer recess. There was a very uncomfortable feeling on parade, and it was the subject of general conversation prior to the fall in, at the disgrace which had befallen the regiment by the supposed connection of one of their comrades with the murder of the unfortunate bandsman M'Donnell, and his alleged summer, have been sick or dead, in New connection with Fenivnism. It appears, lenemy. But we watch, wait, arm, and pre-Orleans, of yellow fever. Instead of that, however, says the Observer, that Groves bears, pure for the opportunity that will enable us he passed the hot season in the North, en- a very high character in the corps, is a kind to destroy the British empire effectually, and a very high character in the corps, is a kind and inoffensive young man, and that not one of his comrades belleves him guilty either of the crime imputed to him or of Fenianism, and it is broadly stated that he had mentioned, and it could be proved, that he had only obtained copies of rules and other documents belonging to the Fenian brotherhood out of curiosity to see what they were like. How far this can be established remains to be seen. So strong is the feeling on the subject, it is stated that one company have had a meeting, and have agreed to an address of loyalty, which every one present signed; and it was understood a similar document was going to be sent round for the signatures of every member of the regiment.

Strangé Outrale at Harrow.—The town of Harrow was thrown into a state of consternation at about two o'clock on Wednes DITION.—Little by little the truth about the day morning last by the discharge of fire arms and the bugle cilling the Volunteers to arms. It appears that the sergeant major of the Harrow Rifl · Corps when on his way to drill on Monday evening, fell in , with a man who appeared very curious to know the number of rifles, &c., which were kept in the drill shed a barn situated a short Cruz, all perished of yellow fever except 12, distance from the town. The sergeant havmen; of a company of riflemen, all except, ing communicated this to his captain, and three; and of fourteen Zouave, all except their apprehension of danger being consid crably increased by the report of the pre-

sence in the neighborhood of a number of ery suspicious looking men, it was deemed advisable to place a guard over the barn for the night. Accordingly several riflemen were told off for this duty. Nothing, however, occurred during the night to cause any further alarm; but being on duty also the following night, about two o'clock they were alarmed by a loud report, and the simultancous falling in of the doors of the barn. They immediately sounded the bugle and discharged their rifles. Messengers were at once despatched for the officers of the corps, and the whole town was immediately in arms, and rushing to the scene of action, expecting nothing less than to find a Fenian army invading their homes. Although it turned out to be rather less serious than that, still the affair assumed a very strange aspect. The doors had evidently been blown up by a train of gunpowder placed beneath them; but no clue whatever could be discovered as to the culprits. The general opinion is that it must have been done for a lark by some one connected with the corps. If such be the case, it is not only a very disgraceful lark, but such a piece of fun as might have proved anything but amusing to its perpetrators, considering that the Volunteers rifles were loaded with ball cartridge, and several barrels of gunpowder were part of the stores in the shed. A council of inquiry was held by the officers of the corps, but the result is not yet reported. The excitement in the town has by no means subsided.—*Globe*.

WHAT THE FERIANS WANT .- A correspondent who signs himself "A Fenian," writes to the Pall Mall Gazette as follows:-We want not concessions from the British Government; we want Ireland for the Irish, wholly and absolutely; and that we shall have. It is not our game to commit outrage, except in self-defence, and in retaliation for any indignities put upon any of our men by our to avenge centulies of cruel oppression England chooses to precipitate matters by hounding on the masses of her ignorant lower classes against our people, then it will be war to the knife; let lier look to her volunteers' depots, her magazines, her manufactures, her docks, her stores, and, above all, certain of her governing classes. Just take this simply as our position: We mean to fight, and, if necessary for the freedom of Ireland, destroy England. We wait our opportunity, and meanwhile will take care to avonge the slightest injustice done to any of our people by the English law, armed police, and infuriated masses notwithstanding.

A New Was Investion.—A London paper says :- "Scientific inventions are daily making war far more difficult. In the good old times, for instance, a besieger always felt certain that by taking ordinary precaution he could defy a garrison to prevent him from drawing the first parellel and opening trenches. The engineers marked out the ground, the working party plied pick and spade in silence, under the vigilant eyes of the sappers: not a light was visible, and smoking was forbidden. The garrison could not see, and the dawn disclosed the long dark lines behind which batteries could safely be con structed. But now invention has put in end to this easy mode of attack. Ex-periments at Catham have shown that an

electric light, backed by a powerful reflector, illuminates a wide space three hundred and lifty yards from the defences, disclosing every man, while the brilliant glare renders the fortress invisable. Con sequently, guns, and even rifles, at that distance, could play on the assailant and drive them away. The device of the bedrive them away. sieged, however, can be used by their op pononts but if two electric lights be opposed to each other, then objects at the Give us leave to help ourselves, and trust points where they are fixed become myist to an all wise Providence, to ble, while right and left of the lights both instruments, for the result. parties are exposed to view It is assumed that the advantages remain with the defenders, because they can, and their assailants cannot, protect the illumination. But the reasoning is not conclusive; since ordnance for breaching purposes is now effective at Converier de St. Hyacinthe says that recruits ranges far beyond the reach of the new sp. for the Panal Zanayes are being enrolled paratus. The invention will be useful in a close attacks, especially against storming parties; but nothing except actual warfare can be an adequate test of its value. Night signals, by means of lights, are destained to be extensively used; and further experiments are highly desirable. The lesson taught us is that mechanical appliances only serve to raise the demand for strategical

▲ SUGGESTION FOR THE EXTERMINA TION OF FENIANISM.

The recent Fenian outcage at Manchester induces Lord Fermoy to offer some advice to the people of England. His Lordship observes: "There is but on care for Fenianism, but one way of settling the question between the American sympathizers and the advocates of British connection, and that is by murshalling the loy dipeople of all classes and croods in Icoland, and showing the world what is potent to every man god to Mr. James Dalzell, one of the Sergeants who really knows Ireland and the Irish, of the company. that, taking Ireland from north to south, from east to west, an everwhelming mass, preponderating, if not in numbers, certainly in effective strength for all peace preserving purposes, and, if necessary for war, are to be found on the side of law and order as instruments, drums, cymbals and triangleswell as British connection. Let this be Let the loyal Irish be called upon to defend Ireland from rowdy invaders, as well as from native communists, and depend upon it, such a display of well-disposed citisens will be made as will put an end to all Femian speculators on both sides of the Atlantic. I have as good reason to know the South of Ireland, at any rate, as any other man; and I maintain that in it any govern ment fairly disposed to trust the people, and try a fall with Fenianism in its own boasted stronghold, will find a sufficient number of well disposed Roman Catholies and Protestants to combine together, if they are only treated with confidence and duly aided by the Government, to put down in one week any Fenian outbreak. After that After that has taken place, should such take place, or at any rate after the peace of the country has been secured in the only way in which in my opinion the peace in any country ought to be retended, viz., by native loyalty, energy and pluck—will be the time for the statesman to intervene and renedy the many grievances which all admit more or less to exist. But to attempt to propose remedies while revolution is openly advo

sides of the Atlantic, is to show the world that Iroland contains men enough within her shores honestly disposed to preserve connection, and to take their chance with the people of England, so lately enfranchised, of obtaining in a constitutional way all necessary reforms. For myself, I have not a doubt that such a number of people so disposed does exist; and I now say through you to the people of England

CANADIAN MILITARY NEWS.

CANADIAN RECRUITS FOR THE POUR .- The for the Papal Zouaves are being enrolled throughout Lower Canada.

General Grant was in New York on the 29th October on his return from West Point where he had been to place his son in that Institution for his military education.

The 69th Regt. New York Infantry, which re med well deserved laurals during the war is rapidly going down, only 250 men, includ. experience in military matters and thorough ing officers and band, turning out for review a few days ago.

RIFLE MARCH.—The members of Captain Campbell's company 50th Battalion met Wednesday, according to previous notice, for targate practice, and to compete for the splendid Silver Cup, which the Captain had presented to the company to be awarded to the best marksman. The match came off on the farm of Mr. John Dunsmore, and was a most interesting affair, all the members of the company being present and taking part in the tournament. The cup was award-

OUR MILITARY BAND. - Sergt. Vale returned from Nordheimer's Tuesday night, with the complement of now instruments for the 30th Battalion Band. They have now the brass complete, and more than a full quots of volunteers have already been received. The twelve old members of the Band have just been measured for their uniform—which is similar to that of the rank and file, except with different facings and cross braid mountings on the breast. Mr. Jones, late master tailor of the 17th Regiment, and now a rasident of Guelph, has been employed to do the work. The new members of the Band will he measured as soon as the cloth arrives. The regular practise has been attended with unlooked for success, and the Band can play eight or nine tunes with great precision.

VISIT OF A 69TH VETERAN TO HIS FORMER REGISENT .- The Courier says that Colonel Cotter, of Dunnville, paid a visit to Brantford on Monday last, for the purpose of secing the 68th Regiment, with which he had been associated as an officer for a number of years, having joined the regiment in 1803, and was present in the engagements of Quatrerbras and at the battle of Water loo, where British intrepidity was the picans of settling the affairs of Europe for some time. At the battle of Waterloo, Colonel Cotter was then a Captain in 69th, but left cated and tried, would be simply suicidal Cotter was then a Captain in 69th, but left on the part of those who wish to see the framework of society preserved. The simple way to make Fenianism collapse on both his old regiment. the regiment a few years thereafter, sinco

ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF CHATRAUGray, -Saturday the 26th Oct. was the 55th unniversary of the battle of Chateauguay. an event memorable in Canadian history as resulting in the defeat of an invading army of seven thousand Americans by a mere handful of hardy Canadian, militamen; un dor the gallant De Salaberry. But few of the veterins, who so nobly proved their loyalty to the Crown of England and to their to an all wise Providence, and to us as his mative Canada, survive new to commemo rate the occasion of their triumph. A few old men, however, wearing the Chateauguny medal, issued by the British Government (in grateful recognition of their services) can still be found scattered through the country parishes, roviving in their persons the mem ory of the groutest victory ever yet achiev ed by Canadian arms.

> Тик 25ти Ватталюх.-We are happy to observe that Captain G. P. Lockwood, lite of the 16th Rogiment, and formerly Military School, has been gazetted Major of the 25th Battathon. This is an appointment which will give general satisfaction, being "the right man in the right place," as from his long knowledge of his profession, he will be well qualified to play an important part should his services over be required by the country of his adoption. We congratulate the 25th Battalion on having a gentleman like Capt. Lockwood appointed as their Major .- Free.

The ball to Colonel Farrington and the officers of the 29th Regiment, was, in every respect, a brilliant success. The hall was well lighted and tastofully decorated with flags, and at the foot of it, stretching be tween the large windows, were the words "Welcome 29th" in gas jets. The floor was waxed and chalked, and the band which joccupied the alcove at the side, furnished admirable music. The supper was laid on the stage, and was concealed by a row of evergreens along the front of the prosceni-um. The company was a most brilliant one, the red uniforms of the officers with the rich dresses of the ladies, giving an appoarance of gaiety, such as has not been witnessed in Hamilton for some years. Besides the officers of the regiment, we noticed among the guests General Stisted, C.B.. Commander of the Forces and Licutenant Governor of Ontario, the Honorable John Sandfield Macdonald, F. Cumberland, Esq., and a number of prominent citizens from Toronto, St. Catharines, and other places. Dancing was kept up until an early hour this morning, nothing occurring to mar for a moment the pleasure of the occasion. We congratulate the committee upon the perfection of their arrangements, and the success which has attended their effort to bid a hearty welcome to the brave men who have recently come among us.—Hamilton Spectator.

DEATH OF THE BISHOP OF TORONTO.—Bishop Strachan of Toronto, expired at the Episco pal residence in that city, on Friday morning, the 1st November, in the 89th year of his age. The Toronto papers appear in thourning and devote saveral columns to an obituary of deceased. He was re-nowned thuring his long and eventful life, not only as a brilliant ornament of his own church, but as vigorous and uncompromising politician of the Consecutive school.

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RIFLE MATCHES.

TARGET PRACTICE. - A squad of Capt Ryan's company met for target practice with the new breech-loaders on Saturday last. It will be seen by the score below that the shooting was very good—quite equal, on an average, to the great Ottawa tournament reported in the Volunteer Review last week. There were only two or three of the best shots in the company out. On next Saturday the company practice again. The following is the score:

	200 yds.	300 yds.
Major Mabee	22430	20023—18
Capt. Ryan		2202020
Ensign Newkirk	03322	00003—13
Serg't. Baker	32334	20202-21
Corp'l Price		22000-13
Private Harris		00000-12
Private Kitchen	02422	0303016
Private McCall	02020	02320—11
Private Nash	43233	4324432
Private Waterhouse	223 20	20000-11
	Norfolk .	Reformer .

RIFLE MATCH. - The annual match of the "First Canada Rifle Club," Owen Sound, took place at the iron target, on Tuesday last. The shooting shows a decided improvement over that of last year.

First Match.—Ranges—100, 200, 300, 400 and 500 yards.

First Prize, a Silver Medal, for Breech load. ers only. The medal was awarded to George Price, as having scored the highest number in the winning squad.

SECOND MATCH.—Ranges—300, 400, 500 yards—five shots at each range. Open to any rifle with open sights.

1st prize—Revolver value \$15: 2nd prize, a Purse of \$5. Geo. Price 1st; John Mc Lean 2nd .- Owen Sound Advertiser.

RIFLE TOURNAMENT.

The annual Rifle tournament of the Kent or 24th Battalion of Volunteers, was commenced at the Chatham Range, on Monday the 28th ultimo. All the companies of the Battalion were represented except No. 8 (Zone Co.), the number of men from each company being limited to five in each The weather so far has proved most favorable, being calm and dry, although the haze peculiar to this season of the year interferes somewhat with the sight towards the afternoon.

There are in all five matches open for competition, but, on account of the numerous entries, the first was not concluded till the forenoon of the second day, and the result will be found below. The second match is going on as we write, and will appear in Friday's issue.

The Snider Enfields give the greatest satisfaction to the Volunteers: indeed, their praise is in the mouth of everybody. It will be seen that the shooting, especially at the longest range has been first class, and that with little or no practice. When they become more accustomed to this admirable weapon, it will be found that the men of the 24th Battalion are second to none in the

talion," long or short Snider rifles; 200, 300 and 400 yards, 5 shots at each range. Entrance fee 25 cents, and entries from each company limited to 5 men.

First prize, L. Corp. Jas. Mifflin, 49 points. Second prize, Pr. Daniel Fields, Third prize, Corp. Israel Fields, Fourth prize, Capt. Stephenson, Fifth prize, Sergt. Alex. Parr. 6.6

Messrs. Stephenson and Fields tied for the third prize, but Mr. Stephenson waived his right to it in favor of Mr. Fields, and accepted the fourth prize for himself .--Chatham Planet.

THE RIFLE MATCH YESTERDAY .- The match between Her Majesty's 29th Regiment and the Independent Infantry was proceeded with yesterday, notwithstanding the gale which prevailed during the whole of the afternoon. The weight of the gale was such as to give the best marksmen great trouble in keeping on the target, especially at 600 yards. We have seldom seen a day on which it was more difficult to make a good score, and those who succeeded in making a fair average yesterday are entitled to great credit for their steadiness and judgment. We subjoin the scores, from which it will be seen that the match resulted in a victory for the Independent Infantry by 34 points.

29th regiment.

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Capt. Phipps,	12	17	5	3 4
Lieut. Carrington,	13	11	4	28
Col. Sergt. Fountai	n, 11	17	6	34
Sergt. Cole,	10	9	8	27
" Wm. Houghte	on, 12	14	0	26
" W. White,	10	13	0	23
" O. Donnell,	9	9	0	18
Corpl. G. Houghto	n, 12	8	()	20
Privt. Wilkinson,	12	17	7	36
" Farrell,	11	8	6	25
" Kane.	6	10	0	16

INDEPENDENT INFANTRY.

Lieut. Smart,	11	16	0	27
Ensign Adam,	8	12	8	28
Sergt. Omand,	10	9	11	30
" Mitchell.	10	11	3	24
Privt. Farmer,	10	18	6	34
" Murison.	10	10	13	33
" Mason,	10	14	9	33
" Nicholson,	11	12	8	31
" Freeborn,	9	13	8	30
" Mundie,	12	14	0	26
" Scott,	11	14	0	25
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The challenge came from the Independent Infantry, the arrangements for the match being made between Capt. Mackelcan, of No. 2 Company and Lieut. Carrington, Inspector of Musketry 29th Regiment.— Hamilton Spectator.

HIGHLAND RIFLE COMPANY.—The annual fall rifle match of the Highland Rifle Company, Queen's Own, took place on the Garrison Common on the 4th inst., at which a number of valuable prizes were competed for. The weather was unfavorable, yet the shooting was excellent. The following are the names of the winners: 1st prize, 'Moul bour cup,' value \$25, Private W. Christie. 2nd prize, silver ice pitcher, \$20, Capt. Ramer and prize, silver ice pitcher, \$20, Capt. Ramer prize, silver ice pitcher, \$20, Capt. Ramer prize pitcher, \$20, Capt. Ramer prize 3rd prize, fire extinguisher, \$20, Prithe 24th Battalion are second to none in the Province.

First Match.—Open to all Volunteers of the 24th or "County of Kent Volunteer Bat"

vate James Muir. 4th prize, silver goblet, \$15, Lieut. D. Gibson. 5th prize, silver cup, \$12, Private J. Youngton. 6th prize, silver cup, \$10, Ensign Scott. 7th prize, silver

goblet, \$8, Private P. Kemp. 8th, prize, silver cup, \$5, Cor. J. Wright. Second class (those who never won a prize. 1st prize \$4, Private Youngston. 2nd prize \$3, Sergt. Sas. McDonald. 3rd prize, \$2, Corporal L. Gorris. 4th prize \$2, Corporal W. Wright. 5th prize, \$1.50, Coporal J Marshall. 6th prize, \$1. Private P Forbes.—Toronto Tele graph.

PRESENTATION.

The Metcalfe Infantry Coampany, under command of Capt. Morgan, was, on Friday, the 25th inst., inspected by the Brigade Major, Col. Jackson. At the close of the inspection and in the presence of Col. Jackson and a number of other gentlemen, Capt. Morgan, in behalf of of the Company, presented a beautiful sword, accompanied with the following address, to Ensign John Nesbit, as an acknowledgement of his services as Instructor of the Company for the last vear:

To Ensign John Nesbit:

Sir,-The acknowledgement of merit and the just appreciation of eminent service have claims upon our gratitude, which no generous heart will deny. Of such a nature have your services been with us. Your untiring industry, zeal and enterprize, your agreeable and gentlemanly conduct, duly seasoned with that military rigour so essential to proper discipline, have so engaged the attention and enlisted the affections of this Company, that we feel it to be a duty no less than a privilege to present you with some small token of our regard for you, both as a military instructor and as a gentleman, in every way possessed of those attractive qualifications so characteristic of British Military Officers.

You will therefore please accept this sword as a small token of our esteem for you and of the eminent services of the last twelve months. Nor must you neglect to regard its intrinsic value in just the inverse ratio of the respect that donated the

(Signed, in behalf of the Company-) IRA MORGAN

Capt. Metcalf In. Co.

Metcalf, Osgoode, October 25th, 1867.

To which Ensign Nesbit made the following reply:

Capt. Morgan, Officers, Non-Com. Officers and Men of the Metcalfe Infantry Co.:

Words of mine cannot express the gratitude I feel in receiving from you such a valuable present, accompanied, as it is, by such a flattering address. And I assure you that nothing could give me more pleasure than to know that the humble services which I have performed in connection with the instruction of this Company has been such as to induce you to feel that I at least have done my duty. For I believe it is my duty to assist in every way possible in defending the privileges we enjoy in our beloved Canada; and I only hope that the energy and zeal which has prompted you to prepare for the defence of your country will still actuate you to proceed till you come to that state of proficiency which is necessary to stamp you as good British soldiers.

Again I must thank you for this beautiful sword; and I assure you it will ever be held by me in grateful remembrance. And should I have to unsheath it—which God forbid-in defence of the flag of our country, it never will be sheathed in dishonor.

-Ottawa Citizen.



HEAD QUARTERS,

Ollawa, 8th November, 1867.

General Orders.

VOLUNTEER MILITIA

No. 1.

The Officers of the Force are hereby notified that Sinder Enfield Ball Amminition, extra for practice, may be obtained from the Militia Department by purchase in the usual way. The price per 1000 rounds is To the Quarter Master: \$17.70, and not less than a box containing. 500 rounds will be sold.

No. 2.

The services of Provincial Storekeepe. Wm. Manton, at Kingston, are hereby dispensed with.

2nd Battalian "Queen's Own Rigles," Toronto. Acting Ensign F. W. Otter, M. S., is now confirmed in his rank temporarily from the 13th Sept., 1867.

6th Battalion "Hochelage Light Infantig." A To be Lieut.:

Ensign George Stanway, vice Gardner, promoted.

19th Lincoln Buttalion of Infantry. No. 6 Company, Grimsly.

To be Ensign, temporary:

Sorgt. Edgar Woolverton, M. S., vice II. E. Nelles, whose resignation is hereby accepted.

23rd "Essex" Buttalion of Infantry. No. 1 Company "Garrison Battery," Windsor. To be Captain, acting till further orders: 1st Lieutenant Huskisson C. Wynn, vice Worthington, whose resignation is hereby accepted.

To be 1st Lieutenant, temporary:

2nd Lieut, Charles R. Horne, M. S., vice Wynn, promoted.

To be 2d Lieutenant, temporary:

Frederick Lucas Foster, Gentleman, M.S., vice Horne, promoted.

35th Battalion "The Simon Foresters." This Battalion is hereby permitted to adopt as its Regimental motto the words "Spectemur Agendo."

No. 1 Company, Burrie.

To be Lieutenant:

Ensign Henry Wisden, vice T.C. Sidworth, whose resignation is hereby accepted. To be Ensign, acting till further orders: George Woodward, Gentleman, vice Wisden, promoted.

36th "Peel" Battalion of Infantry, This Butalion is hereby permitted to adopt as its Regimental motto, the words "Pro aris et foeis."

> 39th "Norfolk" Battalion of Ritles. No. 5 Company, Waterfood.

To be Ensign, temporary:

George P. Pickhayer, Gentleman, M. S., vice, Slaght, resigned.

40th "Northumberland" Battalion of Infantry. No. 4 Company, Brighton.

The resignation of Ensign C. M. Lawson, is hereby accepted.

Ottawa Provisional Ballalion.

Robert Lang, Gentleman, vice Tallon, left tho limits.

Omemee Infantry Company. The resignation of Ensign Jno. Disbrow is hereby accepted.

BREVET.

To be Majors:

Captain Thomas Ross, Ottawa Provisional Brigade Garrison Artillery, and Captain Charles Quimet, St. Therese Rifle Company.

SERVICE MILITIA.

The following Candidates for Commissions in the Service Militia have received Cert... cates from the Commandants of the Schools of Military Instruction:

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

First Class Centificates.

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Compton	William	P. Anderson, Gent.
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do Theophile Morency,	do
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By Command of His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor-General and Commander in Chief.

Erratum.—In General Order No. 4, dated

11th October last, Service Militia, Province

of Ontario, for "Samuel G. Wood, Gentleman," read "Captain Samuel G. Wood."

do Fredrick W. Monro,

P. L. MacDOUGALL, Colonel. Adjutant General of Militia.

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Adjutants and Officers of Corps throughout the Provinces are particularly requested to favor us regularly with weekly information concerning the movements and doings of their respective Corps, including the fixtures for drill, marching out, rifle practice, &c.

We shall feel obliged to such to forward all information of this kind as early as possible, so that may reach us in time for publication.

CLUBS! CLUBS! CLUBS!

For the purpose of extending an advantage to the Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of the Force, we have decided to send "THE REVIEW" to BATTALION and COMPANY CLUBS of TEN and UPWARDS at the rate of \$1.50 per annum for each copy.

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"THE VOLUNTEER REVIEW OFFICE, Ottawa, August 1st, 1867.



The Volunteer Review,

AND MILITARY AND NAVAL GAZETTE.

"Unbribed, unbought, our swords we draw,
To guard the Monarch, fence the law."

OTTAWA, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1867.

THE BANK OF MONTREAL AND THE VOLUNTEERS.

A not very sapient or well informed individual writes to the Editor of the Montreal Herald, a letter, which we will do him the compliment of reproducing; reviving a subject which, for the credit of the Bank of Montreal, would better have been left in oblivion. That institution has not gained much honor by its late action in reference to the Commercial Bank failure, and the same spirit which dictated the order forbidding its employees to serve in the ranks of the Volunteers is well manifested in late events: and this possibly "inspired" and probably self appointed champion of the Bank of Montreal would have shown more wisdom had he taken care to post himself before he rushed into print. The letter is as follows: To the Editor of the Montreal Herald.

MONTREAL, 1st Nov., 1867.

Sir, The "Volunteer Review" of Sept. 23d has just been handed me by a friend,

who drew my attention to an article, in which are various charges against the Bank of Montreal, amounting to an accusation of using its power to deter its "employes" from joining the volunteer force in this Province.

I deeply regret that the article now in question should have appeared, as I fear that its want of courteousness and candour may go far to destroy the usefullness of the "Review:

I shall not advert to the reprehensible terms in which the article is couched, and which must be deplored by every man interested in the publication, but deal simply with the facts, as they are within my knowledge, when holding a post in the Bank in this city.

The first charge is, that "the Bank issued its order forbidding the employes to join any Volunteer Company." Now the truth is. that the Manager in this city went himself to the employes in the Bank at the first alarm and encouraged them to enroll themselves in the voluteer force, and indicated to those who were already members that they were at liberty to join their respective companies. The next charge is, "that the Instution grudged the volunteer the few hours taken from work," etc. This charge is a direct perversion of the truth. I have now served in the volunteer force eight years and have searcely ever been absent from drill or from the frequent parades that were ordered in the middle of the day, and although holding a responsible post in the Bank, have never met with the slightest difficulty in obtaining leave or perceived that it was grudgingly extended-more than that, at one time five employes were absent together from the city on duty as Volunteers, and one with the full approval of the Bank was four months on the frontier. The third charge is that "one great banking institution" was guilty of "selfish parismony." In what way? Was it "selfish parismony" to pay those five young men their salaries, while they were on duty on the frontier in the Volunteers? Was it "selfish parismony" to contribute liberally in aid of the efforts made to afford necessaries and comforts for the Volunteers when they were called out? or was it "selfish parismon" to engage and pay a drill Sergeant to instruct the officers of the Bank? It is peculialy wrong that such charges should be made against a body of men, like "the Dir-ectors of the Bank of Montreal," one of whom has gallantly served his country in arms, and all of whom will yield in patriotism to none in the Province, and to make such charges as far as I know without an atom of foundation. I have made enquires at the Bank and find that since I left that institution there has been no change whatever in its policy with regard to Volunteers.

Yours, etc., FRANK BOND.

The article at which Mr. "FRANK BOND" has taken umbrage merely contains reference to facts which are too well known throughout the Province to require repetition. Our authority for the statements which we made was received direct from employees of the Bank, and we had sufficient faith in the words of those gentlemen whereon to base the charges we preferred. If Mr. "Frank Bond's" memory can go back as far as the carlier portion of the month of April last, he may remember how severely the Press of Western Canada commented upon the action of the Bank of Montreal in relainstitution have since discovered their error and are making amends for their past contemptible conduct, we are satisfied; and if this has in any manner been brought about by the well-deserved strictures of THE Vol. UNTERR REVIEW, we are glad; and will accept the fact as a proof that our "usefulness' after all is not likely to be destroyed.

It must be borne in mind that it was not at the time of the excitement consequent upon the Fenian Raid of June, 1866, that the order to which we have reference was given. but long after; and we had occasion at the time to advert to the matter in a way which we deemed the peculiar circumstances of the case warranted. If the Bank of Montreal did then all that its champion represents, it did no more than its duty, and not one whit more than the other Banks did at the same time. But it was by its action subsequently that it carned and received the chastisement of the Press. The Woodstock (Ont.) Times, which we quoted before, in its issue of the 11th of April, 1867, said:- "The "Bank of Montreal, enjoing as it does, the "patronage of the country, and no small "share of its treasure, should not be found "the first to set up a barrier against the "most popular and least expensive mode of "defence." It seems very odd that the truth of these allegations should never have been publicly questioned by any one in authority in the Bank, but be left for some officious outsider, at this late hour, to contra-

"Frank Bond" accuses us of a "want of candour and courteousness" in our strictures upon the Bank; really we cannot see where there is a lacking of either; we stated a fact which had come to our knowledge, and that fact was of such a nature as to demand the severest reprehension, and to treat with courtesy persons who could so far forget the duty they owe to the country and place themselves in so mean and unpatriotic a position would be to show them an attention which they did not deserve. It has been well said that corporations have no souls, and the Bank of Montreal is only another illustration of the truth of the maxim. An institution which is fattening upon the country and enjoying advantages of which it has shewn itself unworthy, deserves but scant courtesy from the Volunteers or from us. This correspondent fears that the "usefulness of the REVIEW" will be destroyed by our comments upon the conduct of the Bank of Montreal. This is certainly amusing, and goes to show a not very clear idea of the deductions of logic on his part. It is by the course we have pursued since the beginning of our connection with the Volunteer force which has made our "usefulness" great within the sphere of our influence. And it was by fearlessly advocating the cause of the Volunteers against all who, like the parties whom "Frank Bond" defends, attack their rights and privileges, that we have gained the confidence and support of those tion to Volunteering. If the Directors of that in whose interest the Review is published.

THE NEW MILITIA BILL.

As the present session of the Dominton Parliament will last only thirty days, it is not intended by the Minister of Militia to introduce this measure until the next meet ing of the House, in February of the new year. It is contemplated by this Bill to place the whole Militia torce of the Dominion upon one footing, doing away with all the differences at present existing, as to organization, etc. in the various Provinces. as well as to incorporate the Volunteer Force into the new Militia system, preserving, however, its Volunteer distinction, but governed, as nearly as possible, by the same rules and regulations as apply to the regular Militia. The Military School system will be continued and improved; and all officers, who have not already done so, will have to qualify and obtain certificates to retain their rank. It is intended by the new law to equalize the burthen of national defence upon all classes of the people, and not leave-as under the old arrangement -the whole weight of the service upon willing shoulders, and to make military training the duty of every ablebodied man of given age. We are well aware that although these regulations are thus stringent, there is patriotism sufficient a in our people to render a resort to the draft. for the purpose of filling the ranks of the the same time, it is only just that the Govornment should have the power to compel all classes to come forward in defence of the country. In these "piping times of peace," it is difficut for people engaged in the daily avocations of "ife to understand the neces sity of-as a correspondent has wel pressed it-"strutting in the garbot war; but it is one of the first duties required of us, that we should train ourselves for all possible contingencies. Those who, after enrolment, are too careless or unpatriotic (and we know well that such are few in our country) to personally give that service which the State has a right to ask from every citizen, will be compelled to drill themselves or provide substitutes; while those who escape the first enrolment will, very justly, have to pay the tax from which, much of the prestige of the nation he represuch as drill or find substitutes, will be exempt. The first draft for the Service Militin will be probably for 100,000 men, who will be required to drill during a portion of each year (say twenty-live days)supposing Parliament should vote the necessary funds-for the space of three years consecutively. Failing the training of the whole of the rank and file, power will be reserved, we believe, to train all the efficers and non-commissioned officers of the Force, each year, by assembling them in camp | for a certain number of days. After the close of the third year, the second enrolment will be made; and when this, in its turn, will have completed the required | ernment seems in no great hurry to come service, the third will follow. By this means to an adjustment, and keeps these claims

the whole population of the country will, in in abeyance for some ulterior object. should the unfortunate necessity for a tive will show their desire to conclude this af as regards the time and place for drilling. and the interior economy of companies and battalions, are all provided for in the new law, which has had the most careful attention bestowed upon it in its preparation, by Colonel MacDongall, whose practical knowl for the task of framing a measure which will reconcile or remove the present incongraities in the system and distribute the burthen of defence alike upon all.

BRITISH MINISTER WASHINGTON. THE NEW

The English papers recently contained the announcement that Mr. Thornton, lately British Minister to the Court of Brazil, was appointed to succeed the late Sir Frederick Bruce as British Minister at Washington. This, although extensively copied and commented upon by the press, needs confirmation, for, as yet, there is no ratification of the appointment. Mr. Thornton is admitted by all to be a man of rare ability in his peculiar walk; but it is thought that a plain Mr. Thornton is not sufficiently aristocratic for our Republican neighbors, who, it Militia, altogether unnecessary. But, at i is well known, delight in high sounding titles and show a deference to high birth and titles oddly at variance with their professions of simple republicanism and democracy. Mr Thornton is a gentleman of extensive expehas been heretofore entrusted, he has shown great tact and ability, especially in arranging the difficulty between Great Britain and Brazil, which had almost come to an open rupture, and which would, no doubt, have been productive of very unpleasant consequences were it not for his capacity and wise efforts in bringing about a solution. The present dispute with the United States on the vex adquestion of the Alabama chaims, requires the selection of a man to fill the vacant office, who possesses great knowledge and ability, and who can carry with him sents. The subject of these claims is one requiring much delicacy in its arrangement; and the interest of both countries demand a speedy solution of the difficulty: therefore, we hope the Government will not be slow in filling the appointment, as a step most likely to bring about this much desired end. Lord Stanley has shown great good temper and forbearance in this dispute, having agreed to submit all things really at issue to arbitration as desired by the American Secretary of State: so that the responsibility of the matter rests entirely with the latter. It is sufficiently apparent, however, that the United State. Gov-

a few years, be educated to a knowledge of , appointing speedily a successor to the late those duties which may be required of them. Sir Frederick Bruce, the Home Government service ever arise. The minor details, such fair, and we will rejoice when this is consummated. Whether it be Mr. Thornton or not, is a matter of small moment, so that the person chosen possesses the requisite talents to fill the mission. If our American friend, prefer a gentleman with a handle to his name, they can call Mr. Thornton by his edge and extensive experience well fit him foreign title, which is emphonious enough to please the most fastidious republican ears.

THE ITALIAN DIFFICULTY.

The late news from Italy is such as to rouse serious apprehensions that the adroit fencing of astuto diplomats may suddenly be brought "from quilbles quick and paper bullets of the brain," to needle guns and rifled cannon. Since the great campaign which ended so disastrously for Austria and which made that dream of many centuries an actual reality-the liberty and unification of Italy. The Napoleonic idea of consolidation of nationalities found some very apt and at le demonstrators in such men as Cavour and Bismark, and with such men as Garibaldi to direct the enthusiasm of a peoplo awakening to a sense of their greatness, is likely to make startling changes in the maps of the old world.

A storm has long been gathering on the political horizon, and the action of Garibaldi has only precipitated the complications which have been long increasing. The peace and security of Europo demand a speedy rience, and, in the missions with which he | settlement of the Roman Question, and if it is left to be decided, as it should be, by the popular vote of the Romans themselves, there is little doubt but the States of the Church will soon become part of United Italy. The spiritual and historic grandour which surrounds the See of St. Peter is unparalleled on earth, and to behold this power, for long the most gigantic, tottoring to destruction is a sight at which the world may well gaze with awe. It is not to be sunposed for one instant that the millians of Catholies all over the wold will calmly look on while the temporal power is being wrested from the hands of the Pontiff; or that the patrimony of the Church will be quietly absorbed into the dominions of Victor Emanuel. The famous September convention was a clumsy affair and satisfied none of the partles engaged in it, and the advance of the Garibaldians supplied a pretext for which both French and Italian rulers were anxiously waiting. If there is, as is rumored, a secret understanding between the Emperors of France and Austria, we may rest satisfied that the scheme of a joint motectorate of Rome by the Catholic powers will for a time be established; but even this is only pre paring the way to further complications, and we cannot see that the Pope would be any better protected by French, Austrian or Spanish bayonets than by Italian. There is

in fact, but one way to settle this difficulty, and that is by allowing the people to decide for themselves. The question of the existence of the temporal power concerns them -their welfare and happiness, and they should be allowed to decide for themselves. Should there be no solution obtained of this much needed question, we greatly fear that it will lead to one of the most terrible and bloody wars of which we have any record. The jealousy existing between the two great rival military powers in Europe-France and Prussia-may at any moment be fanned into a blaze of open war, and it is impossible to foresee what may be the end. We do not believe that the possession of the city of Rome and a few miles of territory surrounding it, can have any effect upon the head of the Church, or that the loss of this territory would in any way embarrass His Holiness as acknowledged head of the Catholic Church. After the suppression of this Garibaldian revolt, a conference of the Catholic powers will very likely be held, which will probably set at rest forever the question of the temporal power and make the independence of the Pope compatible with the unification of Italy and the advancement of the age.

THE NORTHWEST.

The following from the Nor'wester of Oct. 5th, is well deserving of careful consideration by the people of the new Dominion; and we hope ere long to see this flourishing settlement incorporated into our new nationality. It is too bad that the Hudson's Bay Company should be allowed to retain its powers and privileges to the detriment of the best interests of the country. Determined action should at once be taken to settle this matter, for it is quite possible that it may be left unregarded too long; and it is of the greatest importance that allthese outlying portions of our country should be brought into a closer and more

THE NORTHWEST BEGGING FOR A GOVERNMENT. -Any careful or profound consideration of the present relations of this settlement will bring one squarely to the following state of facts, that, notwithstanding the several earnest petitions presented the Home Government long since, yet our Twelve Thousand people still go begging for a government; that the Hudson's Bay Company, whose claims many, for years, have pronounced spurious, still retain their old possessions and prerogatives practically intact; that the Home Government is quite willing to concede our susceptibility for future greatness, yet is not blind to the fact that we at present would be no unimportant element of its wealth and greatness, and consequently make haste slowly towards assuming a new colonial responsibility.

The new Dominion regard us, if obtained as a gratuity, as quite a respectable appendage to their new confederation kite, and yet are not willing to risk their fingers far into the monopoly's coals after this territorial chestnut. Thus we may put the Home Government down as passively acquiescent,

clearly, is the state of affairs abroad and the attitude of those interests from which we have expected so much.

Now, will some more enlightened source than that heretofore attainable, point out what we have done for ourselves? Does not this surfeit of abject begging for favors from abroad defeat the very end in view? Have we no element of independent action? Is there no praiseworthy spirit inherent in us that shall develop our physical and political resources, so that we may be sought after rather than be eternally and ineffectually seeking? There is great danger in ever turning one's eyes outward looking after and expecting some undefined assistance. rather than manfully going to work ourselves and by an indomitable spirit of enterprise and independence, earning a position that would procure us active assistance.

A calm, intelligent organization, not with the intent to usurp any powers but what are inherent and recognized, would secure many benefits to this settlement which are now unknown to us. Any action then taken to amend governmental evils at home or to secure a change from abroad, would have the advantage of united action and the sanction of authority, that weigh far more than the frittering voice of this or that man, which rarely secures consideration. Or, in other words, we suggest the building up of a healthful public sentiment, that shall go on securing moderate blessings, rather than waste our substance and grow grey waiting for a mammoth undefined blessing, which, like the millennium, is approaching slowly.

The Westminster Review strongly advocates the dissolution of the Hudson's Bay Company, that the immense territory, which it is their interest to retain as an unsettled wilderness, may share in the benefits which will undoubtedly arise from its union with the Confederation. It says:

The project of uniting the British North American colonies in one confederation has made such progress by the union of the two Canadas, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, that its full accomplishment can hardly be thought doubtful. This gives additional importance to the Hudson's Bay territories. Are Columbia and Vancouver's Island to be left out in the cold by their elder brethren in the cast? Let the southern portion of Rupert's Land be settled and formed into a colony, communication opened with the other colonies on either hand, and we shall have a chain of British provinces in North America stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, united in one grand confederation, holding in our name the true highway to the east. The matter is becoming urgent. The Americans are pushing up to the boundary line rapidly. Nay, Yankee traders have actually entered the hitherto sacred preserve of the company, and buy furs before their eyes in Red River. American miners have squatted on the banks of the Saskatchewan. As the neighboring State of Minnesota fills up, American emigrants will throng more and more over the boundary line into the Fertile Belt. They cannot spread westward within the limits of the United States, for the great American desert forbids it. In most significant relation to this view of the question are the facts that the settlers of Red River, discontented with the partial government of the company, are half inclined to look favorably on any prospect of annexation to the United States; that an attempt has been made in the legislature of Vancouver to vote such annexation of the island; and

Congress a bill was introduced by General Banks, Banks, which proposed to obtain the cession of Rupert's Land from the Hudson's Bay Company to organize into two "territories," with the ultimate view of their being admitted as states into the Union. Although the introduction of this bill was probably a mere party move to gratify the anti-English section of the American people, it shows that they are alive to the discontent which prevails at the Red River, to the value of our territory, and the neglect which it has hitherto met with from the English Government. Is it altogether unlikely, as the settlers of Red River suggest in their petition, that the American flood may prove irresistible if we do not anticipate it by immediate occupation? The Hudson's Bay Company stand in the way of such a step. They have, it is true, made professions of an intention to open out the country, but did little towards such a design. In 1863 they published a prospectus of reconstruction, and issued and sold shares to the amount of £2,000,000, on the distinct and absolute pledge that "southern districts will be opened to colonization under a liberal and a systematic scheme of land settlement." The money was raised on this express understanding three years ago; but up to the present time the only step they have taken has been to send out Dr. Rae to survey a route for a telegraph line across the continent, which would be connected with the Russian telegraph to British Columbia, and thus complete the chain round the world. Dr. Rae, we believe, reported that no difficulty whatever existed along the Fertile Belt and through the Leather Pass, and there the faint attempt to carry out their programme ended. The old directors, leavened with the old leaven of the monopoly, came into power, and contented themselves with struggling vainly to keep up the fast failing fur trade, to the neglect of far greater sources of wealth in their power to develop. They hope, doubt-less, that they may be saved all further trouble by the purchase of the territory either by the Canada or British Government. The time seems to have come, indeed, when, since the teeming human life of the United States is pressing onward into this preserve for animals, where settlement is prevented, commerce prohibited, and free government denied to an English community of 10,000 people, who have but one law-giver, one executive, one merchant, one banker—the company itself—this anomalous and unjust condition should cease, and the last great monopoly share the fate of all others which have preceded it. Let the proprietors be compensated for the loss of their property: but that property must be transferred from their hands and put to better use.

We have received the November number of the New Dominion Monthly from the pullishers Messrs. Dougall and Son, of Montreal. This periodical is well and neatly got, up and is designed to supply a want long felt in Canadian literature. It contains much well selected matter, although some of it is rather ancient; there is, however, as a set off to this, some very pleasing original articles. Altogether, it is very good and exceedingly cheap, and well worthy the patronage of the reading public.

THE FAKIR OF VISHNU gives a very pleasing entertainment, not the least amusing feature of which is the distribution of prizes, the Dominion, as anxious but circumspect, vote such annexation of the island; and the H. B. C. as in statu quo. This, that in the last session of the American He is worthy of the patronage of the public.

THE FIRST CANADIAN COMMONS.

The Canadian House of Commons was duly opened on Wednesday last, after which House. On Thursday His Excellency the Governor General proceeded to the Senate, and after the Commons had been summoned to attend, delivered the Speech from the ! Throne. Referring to the question of Defence, His Excellency said: "A measure Royal Artillery in Toronto, addressed the would be laid before the House for the adoption of a well considered scheme of Militia Organization and Defence." In addressing regretted very much that the Government the Commons he said. "The general organ, had not seen fit to equip them with their ization and efficiency of the Volunteers and Militia have been greatly improved within in the matter would immediately be taken. the last year, and the whole Volunteer Force of Ontario and Quebec is already, by the liberality of the Imperial Government, armed with the breech-loading rifle."

Since the opening, the House has been occupied almost exclusively with matters of routine. The real business of the Session will commence in earnest during the present week. As we state elsewhere, in referring to the new Militia Bill, no action will be taken on the vital question of militia organization until the February Session. In the meantime we advise our Volunteer officers to qualify and secure their certificates as speedily as possible, so as to retain their rank in the Volunteer service, which, not withstanding all that has been said or written to the contrary, will be the clite of the

The ceremony of the opening was very grand, and was witnessed by an immense concours, of people from all sections of the Dominion. In the Senate Chamber on the second day the beauty and fashion of the country were well represented by the fair daughters of Canada, who, arrayed in gorgeous full dress befitting the occasion and their own beauty, offered a pleasing contract to the ancient collective wisdom in whose presense they were assembled. The approaches to the Parlament buildings were lined by the Regular and Volunteer forces of the city, while the Ottawa Garrison Field Battery was drawn up on Major's Hill, under command of Capt. Forsyth, and fixed the salutes customary on such occasions with remarkable precision. The Governor General on his entrance into the Senate Chamber was accompanied by a brilli int staff of officers. Besides his custom wy attendants we observed Gen. Sir Charles A. Windham, K.C.B., Major Gen. THE LONDON RIFLE TOURNAMENT. Stisted, C.B., Major General Russell, C.B., Colonel MacDongall, A.G.M., Lieut. Colonel i Anderson, C.B., R.A., Lieut. Col. Brunel. Regt., Capt. Parsons, Ottawa G. A., Lieut. Gemmill, Ottawa G. A., and many others.

The assembling of the first Parliament of the Dominion is an event fraught with vast consequences to the country; and we trust that the prayer which concludes Ills the Hon. Mr. Cockburn was chosen Speaker Excellency's speech may be realized, and of the same. His Excellency appointed the that it will prove indeed, "A fresh starting Hon. Mr. Cauchon Speaker of the Upper point in the moral, political and material advancement of the people of Canada.

On the arrival at the Buildings of the Brigade of Garrison Artillery and previous to their extension for the purpose of lining the way, Col. Anderson, C.B., commanding the officers and men, complimenting them on their fine and soldier-like appearance. Ho proper weapon, but hoped that some action He also advised those who could afford the time to proceed to Toronto and receive instruction in the School of Gunnery now open there. His remarks were evidently received with much pleasure by the Artillerymen, who were immediately afterwards moved off to perform the duties for which they were detailed.

THE MONTREAL VOLUNTEER GUIDES.

It is very unfortunate that this fine troop, which has always held a very high position in the Volunteer force, should, by the ill considered action of a few of its members, be subjected to the rebuke lately administered by the Adjutant General. Two noncommissioned officers and a trooper were publicly dismissed from the service for insubordination in presence of the District and Brigade staff at Montreal last week. In reference to the matter Colonel MacDougall sys in a memorandum to the officer commanding the Troop :-

"So serious an instance of military insubordination has rarely come under the notice of the Adjutant General; and so long as he holds his present position he will not permit the introduction into any military force under his charge, of a practice which is entirely at variance with all the customs and traditions of the British army; one, moreover, which must be subversive of discipline wherever it may obtain.

"The power and authority of the officer

commanding any military body under the British Crown is delegated by the Sovereign alone; and the Adjutant General would unhesitatingly recommend the removal from the Volunteer Militia list of any corps, rather than admit the principle that the commanding officer is, in any sense, the nominee of delegate of those under his command.

Rifle competition in connection with the volunteers must be making great progress 10th Royals, Toronto, Lieut. Col. Wily, U.S.R., the great success which has attended the to all concerned.

TORONTO RIFLE TOURNAMENT.

The above match has been further post poned until the 12th, in order to allow those Companies at the London Rifle Match on the 5th to attend. General Stisted gives a prize and others are being added. It will be the most attractive affair of the season.

REMITTANCES RECEIVED.

For the week ending Saturday, 9th Nov., we have received as follows:

Kingston-Capt. D., \$2. Cornwall-Lieut. McC., \$2. Manningville, Q. Lieut, Colonel R. R., \$2. Montreal-Hon. J. R., \$2; J. M., \$1: W. McG., \$2; J. R., \$2. Ottawa-R. G., \$1 : Sergt, J. L. \$1. Fitzroy-Capt. F., \$2. _____

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

On Saturday Lady Moxek distributed the prizes to the winners in the recent match of the Civil Service Rifle Regiment. Want of space compels us to hold over an account of the proceedings till next week.

THE RIPLEMATCHES OF THE 22ND BATTALION The annual matches of the Oxford Rifles commenced at Ingersoll on Tuesday last. Owing to the lack of ability on the part of a large portion of the competitors to reach the range before noon, firing did not commence at the hour intended. For the officers prize—first match—there were ninetyeight entries, and the balance of the first day was consumed, and the match was only half through when darkness set in. In the absence of Col. Richardson or any of the field officers, Capt. Wouliam took charge of the firing party; Lieut. Crotty acting as Secretary. The arrangements for the tournament were as good as circumstances would permit; and although in the opening the shooting was not up to general expectation, the scores made by a number of competitors proved clearly enough that the 22nd is possessed of many excellent marksmen. The company match was taken by Capt. Nesbit's The men. The most valuable prize was taken by Corp. Coad, of No. 7, Woodstock; Sergt. Major Frances, second; and I't. Pascoe, of No. 7, third. In the all comers match the first prize was taken by Capt. McLeneghan: the second by Asst.-Adjt. Chinner, the third by an amateur shot, who, with the other prize-men, used a Snider Enfield.

The match for lads under 20 years of age was not completed last night, but it is quite probable that it will be carried off by Capt.

Chambers' company.

The highest score made in the all comers. at 400 and 600 yards, was 24, two shots at each range; and it is rather satisfactory to know that against a variety of fancy rifles. that in the hands of the Volunteers has proved the best .- Woodstock Times.

READY! AYE READY!!-The following return of the offensive and defensive weapons which France has at her command is not without interest :-9.173 bronze cannon, 2. 774 cannon obusier, 3,210 bronze mortars. Ross, Ottawa G. A., Major Buller, P. C. U. full original report of which we have made non, 1,229 obusiers, 15,778,549 iron balls, Rifles, Lt. Col. D. M. Grant, Ottawa, Major arrangements, and will give it in our next, 1,712,574 percussion guns, 10,263,986 kil G. H. Perry, Carleton, Capt. Smythe, 100th The weather has been exceedingly fine ogrammes of powder, 4,995,768 pomps. throughout, and the manner in which the Needless to remark that every cannon is in matches were conducted is highly creditable order, every gun new, every grain of powder dry, and every bullet perfect.

THE WAR WITH ABYSSINIA.

EXTENT OF THE COUNTRY-POPULATION-GOV-ERNMENT-MILITARY FORCE-GONDAR THE CAPITAL-A MARCH EPON THE CAPITAL CON-SIDERED-BASE OF OPERATIONS-THE EXPE-DITIONARY CORPS-THE ROAD FROM MASSUAH TO THE CAPITAL, ETC.

The war with Abyssinia being of some interest to Canadians, the following intelligence about the country, its government, military force, etc., will give our readers an idea of the nature of the coming contest:

Abyssinia lies on the eastern coast of Africa, and is about 750 miles long, with an average width of 500. Its population is about 5,000,000, and very mixed, some of the people being copper-colored and others quite black, their hair black and generally straight. The people are said to be of Arabic and Nubian descent.

The government is an absolute monarchy, there being no law other than the King's will. He is pleased to communicate with his people through the medium of a third person who may be (if he is not) called the "King's mouth." The official prefaces his communications by saying, "Hear what the King says," and then goes on to say what the King is gracious enough to say to his people, whose agent (not master) he really is, for they feed and clothe him, as do the people civilized monarchs. The Abyssinian monarch is said to be the descendant of Menilek, son of Solomon, by the Queen of Sheba.

The standing force of Abyssinians is about 10,000 men, badly armed. This body may, in time of war, be increased to 50,000 men, but there are no depots of arms of any consequence.

The income is not over \$5,000,000, and is collected in the form of tribute chiefly. It is to be presumed that, in time of war, this could be greatly increased by the King taking from his people what he wanted for the war, making a sort of forced loan in fact.

The currency is in gold and rock salt, chiefly the latter, which is hard as stone, and quite white. It is not likely that this latter money will go out of the country, therefore, no law is made to keep it in. As there are fields of salt-rock, this money can be easily made, and there would be a danger of an over issue from the Royal Mint in time of war.

GONDAR, THE CAPITAL.

Gondar lies in a central position, near Lake Dembea. It has about 75,000 inhabitants, and is built chiefly of clay huts, thatched with straw, which a few mortars could soon utterly destroy. The palace is a stone building, flanked by four square towers, and the churches are also of stone. The capital of Abyssinia is, therefore, not a rich city, and the currency is rock-salt; but the city is healthy, being situated on very high ground, perhaps 15,000 feet above the level of the sea- in this respect (but this only) not unlike the city of Mexico, or Cacul.

It is probable that the commanding general will march directly upon the capital, to bring the war to a speedy and decisive close; this being the way of operating in India, generally, and the best calculated to strike terror into a semi-barbarous potentate. This operation could be executed safely with 10 to 15,000 men—European troops, or chiefly so. The country being well adapted for defence, it would be necessary to execute a bold, quick movement against the enemy,

which would inflict a mortal blow that would break their strength.

A MARCH UPON THE CAPITAL.

In a march upon Gondar the action of the column would be a continual skirmish; perhaps not unlike that in the Afghan war in 1842, but the Abyssinians cannot be as brave as the Afghans, and therefore the resistance will not be as strong nor the attack as spirited as that of the troops of Akber Khan. The advantage in this action will be with the enemy, who will take up good mountain positions, one after another, from which it would not he an easy task, even with the aid of rifled batteries, to drive brave men, who could, besides, inflict heavy loss on the assailants.

BASE OF OPERATIONS.

The point of the coast chosen for the base of operations is Mussurah, the chief seaport, which stands on the Red Sea. There is a good road (good for Abyssinia) running from Massuah into the interior, and leading to Gondar, the capital. It is the ordinary cafilah (caravan) road to and from the interior, and the most practicable. The country for 50 or 60 miles inland is inhabited by Shilos, who are accustomed to furnish guides to all travellers, and are nominally under the jurisdiction of the Governor of Massuah. The lofty mountains and narrow defiles within the above named district are in their undisputed possession, and as the passage is regularly traversed by heavily laden mules, it cannot present any serious obstacles to the march of an army. The Shilos, though a powerful tribe, have no firearms; and it is thought that, instead of opposing, there is every reason to believe that, for an adequate remun eration, they would be most ready to facilitate the march of our troops through their territory. Massuah has a harbour, and, being the principal emporium of trade in that quarter, offers facilities for obtaining supplies which would be looked for in vain at any other point on the coast. The existence, moreover, of a regular government on the island of Massuah and the adjoining mainland is another important consideration, presenting as it does perfect security for disembarkation, and for the establishment of a depot.

THE EXPEDITIONARY CORPS.

It is suggested by a general officer that the corps to be sent into Abyssinia should consist of at least 10,000 men, and that it should be composed as follows:-Two regiments irregular cavalry, Scinde or Sikh; three batteries of light field artillery, Armstrongs, all of one calibre, for convenience in respect to ammunition; and, if the roads are found practicable, four 8-inch mortars, in park, and a supply of rockets: two companies of sappers; three regiments of European infantry; four regiments of native infantry, one or two of which to be Sikhs.

This is a good selection; but for the force

of artillery there are some pros and cons. The road chosen to operate by is at least rough and rocky, and Armstrong guns cannot bear much hard usage. On the other hand, artillery is the most effective arm against a barbarous people. It would, perhaps, be better to send two batteries instead of three. The mortars will be very useful to burn the towns of the enemy, which are built of combustible materials. The 1st Batt. 60th Rifles might have been sent to form a part of the corps, being so suitable for the service, instead of coming to Canada. The column should march in the lightest order, the men with reduced kits.

should be made as small as possible; and here the British are likely to err. No tents need be carried in train, except those for the staff. Each man might carry half a tente d'abrie, which is a mere bit of canvass six feet square. This is done in the French and American armies.

The Commissary need carry only a good supply of biscuit and coffee, etc., for there are plenty of beef cattle in the country, and of salt there is any quantity. Here again the British is likely to err, as all sorts of eatables will be carried, perhaps to be thrown into the desert or down a ravine.

The ammunition train can be made light also, by limiting the supply for artillery to say eighty rounds per gun (besides, of course, what is carried in the caissons).

As to the cavalry rations, a small supply of short forage might be carried, chiefly for the use of the staff. The Indian horses would forage well for themselves, no doubt, living on the country.

In short, the commanding general should do as the French would do in such an expedition.

DEPARTURE OF SIR F. WILLIAMS.

On the evening of the 24th instant, Sir F. Williams left Halifax for England in the Royal Mail Steamship Cuba. The Halifax "Unionist" says:

At seven o'clock, a large concourse of citizens proceeded to Government House, where they formed in procession. Shortly after, his Excellency stepped into his canriage, which was drawn by a number of young gentlemen of the city. The members of the Union Protection Company and Band, with torchlights, headed the procession. The Governor's carriage, which contained besides the Lieutenant Governor, their Excellencies Sir Rodney Mundy and Major General Doyle, then moved off down Pleasant street, into Hollis, North of Cunard's wharf. The leading merchants and men of the city, embracing professional men and the representatives of the mechanical classes, numbering several hundreds, carried torch-lights, which made the procession one of the most brilliant and imposing ever witnessed in our good city. Then followed gay equipages, containing the elite of the city and the Heads of Department. The remainder of the procession was composed of thousands of citizens-not the ragamuffin portion such as greeted the return of Mr. Howe, but the bone and sinew—the sterling men of the capital.

We venture to assert that on no previous occasion in the history of the city, has there ever been such a demonstration. As the long line of procession moved along, cheer after cheer made the welkin ring. Windows were thrown up, and the fair daughters of Acadia waved their handkerchiefs to the Conquering He:o, indicating that his Excellency not only occupied a large place in the affections of the male portion of the community, but that our bachelor Governor largely shared the affections of the softer

The Dartmouth Engineers, under command of Captain Symons, formed the guard of honor. The Royal Alfred, Gannet, and the French Monitor, were brilliantly illuminated. Salutes were fired by the Naval Brigade and Volunteer Artillery, as the Cuba passed down the harbor.

On the wharf the greatest enthusiasm pre vailed. The cheering was continued until the steamer was out of sight. Rockets were THE TRAINS.

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After the steamer had left, hearty cheers were given for General Doyle, our new Lieutenant Governor, and Admiral Mundy.

We heartily wish General Williams speedy and pleasant voyage across the Atlantic. This demonstration will prove to the people of England that his Excellency has endeared himself to the loyal inhabit-ants of this Province—that his administration in this colony has been a great success. The anti-press may write themselves blind, but they cannot tarnish a single feather in our gallant countrymun's plume. Long live General Williams!

A NEW MILITARY WEAPON.

The following is from the Correspondence of Berlin: "Some of the French journalists some time since published the following news relative to the murderous weapon lately invented: "The new infantry cannon, wrapped up in leather and placed in steel cases, has just been sent to various battalions of the army, with express orders not to make the fact known to the troops until a few days before using them." The intention is therefore entertained of surprising the enemy, and in that way augmenting the confidence of the soldier and shaking that of his adversary, by means of the mystery thrown over the effects and construction of this new infernal machine. The French cannon was known in its essential parts on this side of the Rhine before the journals spoke of it; the principles on which it is founded, and even its details, had been studied before the first news of the existence of the monster had been spread. The instrument is only an improvement of an American invention of Mr. Gatling, of Indianapolis, but so superior that its imitation and introduction into the Prussian military armament appears to have become a matter of immediate necessity. They must not be left alone in the possession of this machine. even were it only to avoid for our troops not discouragement, but the uneasiness which its mysterious reputation might produce. Besides, it is so good an idea, in a military point of view, to give cannon range to infantry fire, that it fills up a real hiatus in the art of destruction.'

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ADDITIONAL CANAL REGULATIONS.

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By Command,

WM. H. LEE,

C.P.C.

Privy Council Office, Ottawa, 14th October, 1867.

Regulations in pursuance of the 28th Chap, Constatutes of Canada, for landing fire-wood on the line of the Rideau Canal, in the city of Ottawa, and in addition to the regulations for the management and protection of the Provincial Canals, which were authorized by the Governor in Council, 20th May, 1857, Section 14 and following, and were made applicable to the Rideau Canal, under the Order of His Excellency in Council of the 2nd of June, 1860.

1st. No fire-wood to be landed on the casterly side of the Basin from Sappers Bridge to the line of Little Sussex street.

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2nd. Fire-wood may be landed between the line of Little Sussex street and the By-wash or waste weir, but must be removed within twenty-four hours after having been placed there; a fine of three cents per cord will be charged for every day the wood remains on the wharf after such notice has been given.

3rd. Fire-wood may be landed and plled around the Basin on Government land within forty feet of the water, leaving a roadway of at least fifteen feet between every four pile of fire-wood, which road-way must be as near as practicable at right angles to the margin of the Canal, this wood must also be removed within twenty-four hours after the owner or person in charge has been notified to that effect and in default a fine of three cents per cord will be levied upon it for every day it remains thereafter.

4th. Two cents per cord will be charged as wharfage or ground rent upon fire-wood placed on any part of the Government Canal Reserve, 5th. No fire-wood may be landed without a permit having been first obtained from the Lock Master or Collector, and the let-pass must be given upto this Officer before the wood is unloaded, under a penalty of forty dollars.

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Cases have not unfrequently occurred in which it has been proposed by Foreign Governments to grant Decorations to British Subjects residing in Her Majesty's Colonies.

It appears to be not generally known, that British Subjects are not entitled to wear such Decorations without Her Majesty's special permission, and that such permission is granted only in cases In which the Foreign Order shall have been conferred in consequence of active and distinguished service which had been performed before the enemy, either at Sea or in the Field; or in cases in which the Recipient shall have been actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions, in the service of the Foreign Sovereign by whom the Order is conferred.

You will find in the Appendix to the recent Edition of the Colonial Regulations, page 128, the Regulations respecting the grant of Foreign Orders and Medals to British Subjects, which have been promulgated by Command of Her Majesty, and which are now in torce. It would be desirable that general publicity should be given to these Regulations to the Colony under your Government.

I have the honor to be. Sir. Your most obedient humble Servant. Signed, BUCKINGHAM & CHANDOS. Governor the Right Honble, Viscount Monk, de, di. de.

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THE QUELY has been pleased to direct that the following Regulations respecting Foreign ORDERS and MEDALS shall be substituted for those now in force :-

Regulations respecting Foreign Orders.

- L No subject of Her Majesty shall accept a Foreign Order from the Sovereign of any foreign country, or wear the insignia thereof, without having previously obtained Her Mafesty's permission to that effect, signified by a warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual.
- 2. Such permission shall not be granted to any subject of Hor Majesty unless the Foreign Order shall have been conferred in consequence of active and distinguished service before the enemy, either at sea or in the field; or unless he shall have been actually and entirely employed, beyond Her Majesty's dominions, in the service of the Foreign Sovereign by whem the Order is conferred.
- 3. The intention of a Foreign Sovereign to confor upon a British subject the Insignia of an Order must be notified to Her Mojesty's Principal Secretary of Side for Foreign Affairs, either through the British Minister accredited at the Court of such Foreign Sovereign, or through his Minister accredited at tact ourt of Her Majesty.
- 4. If the service for which it is proposed to confor the Order has been performed during war, the notification required by the preceding clause must he made not later than two years after the exchange of the Ratifications of a Treaty of Peace.

If the service has been performed in time of peace, the notification must be made within two years after the date of such pervice.

- 5. After such notification shall have been recelved. Her Malesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Atlaha shall, if the case comes within the conditions prescribed by the present Regulations, and arises from naval or military services before the enemy, refer it to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department previously to taking Her Majesty's pleasure thereupon, in order to ascertain whether there may be any objection to Her Midesty's permission being granted.
- A similar reference, shall also be made to, the Commander-in-chief it the application relates to an Officer in the army or to the Lords of the Admiralty if it relates to an Officer in the may,
- 6. When Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Atlates shall have taken the Queen's pleasure on any such application, and shall have obtained Her Mojesty's permission for the person in whose favor it has been made to accept the Poreign Order and wear the Insignia thereof, he shall signify the same to Her Mujesty's Principal Sceretary of State for the Home Department, in order that he may cause the warrant required by clause I to be prepared for the Royal Sign Manual.

When such warrant shall have been signed by the Queen's notheation thereof shall be inserted in the "Gazette," stating the service for which the Foreign Order has been conferred.

- 7. The warrant signifying Her Majesty's permission may, at the request and at the expense of the person who has obtained it, be registered In the College of Arms.
- 8. Every such warrant as aforesaid shall contain a clause providing that Her Majesty's Heense and permission does not authorize the assumption of any style, appelatilon, ank, precidence, or privilege appertaining to a Knight-Bachelor of ther Majesty's realins.
- 9. When a British Subject has received the Royal permission to accept a Foreign Order be will at any future time be allowed to neespt the decoration of a higher class of the same Order to which he may have become eligible by increase of rank in the foreign service or in the service of his own country, or any other distinctive mark of honor strictly consequent upon the acceptance of the original Order, and common to every person upon whom such Order is conferred.
- 10. The preceding clause shall not be taken to apply to decorations of the Guelphle Order which were bestowed on British subjects by Her Majesty's predecessors King George IV, and King Wil-Ham IV., on whose heads the Crowns of Great Britain and Hanover were united.

Decorations so bestowed cannot properly be considered as rewards granted by a Poreign Sovereign for services rendered according to the purport of clause 2 of these Regulations. They must be rather considered as personal favors bestowed on British subjects by British Sovereigns, and as having no reference to services rendered to the Foreign Crown of Hanover.

Regulations respecting Foreign Medals.

- 1 Applications for permission to accept and wear Medals which, not being the decoration of any Foreign Order, are conferred by a Foreign Sovereign on British subjects in the army or in the navy for military or for naval services, should be addressed, as the case may be, to the Commander-in-Chief, to the Secretary of State for War, or the Lords of the Admiralty, who, if they see fit, may submit the same to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs for Her Majesty's sanction; upon obtaining which they may grant such permission without any other formality.
- 2. Permission to wear a Foreign Medal cannot | be granted to a British Subject unless such Medal is bestowed for military or naval services performed by the command or with the sanction of Her Majesty. But no permission is necessary for 1 accepting a Foreign Medal, if such Medal is not to

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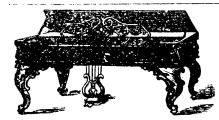
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