

His Excellency the Commander in Chief has been pleased to permit the undermentioned Officers to retire, retaining their present rank :—

New Brunswick Yeomanry Cavalry.

Captain James Peters.

Second Battalion Charlotte County Militia.

Captains—Archibald M'Callum, George M'Kay, Isaac Justason.

Ensign James Dick.

First Battalion King's County Militia.

Ensign D. W. Puddington.

His Excellency has been pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by the following Officer :—

New Brunswick Regiment of Artillery.

Lieutenant James Kirk.

No. 21.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief desires to remind Officers commanding Battalions of Militia, that the particular object of the Muster of Classes B and C of the Active Militia for one day, is to correct the Enrolment Returns already made, or in cases where no steps have hitherto been taken towards enrolment, to do so now for the first time.

As the Volunteers or Class A of the Active Militia are called out annually for *Inspection*, it is not obligatory upon them to appear at the Muster.

In accordance with Section 27 of the Militia Act, the Sedentary Militia also are to "be carefully enrolled from time to time." This will be done according to the judgment of the Officers commanding Battalions; and His Excellency expects that their number will be returned to Head Quarters in its proper place in the Form for Enrolment.

As the Muster is for one day only, His Excellency is of opinion that in most cases any drill will prove impracticable and useless, but the commanding Officers are at liberty to take any steps with reference to this object that they may themselves deem expedient.

His Excellency suggests that under the existing circumstances of the undrilled Militia, a Company division might number as many as 200 active men; for should a Regiment be embodied, a large proportion would be unable to proceed on service, which would probably reduce a Company nominally consisting of 200 men to its proper number. Thus fewer Officers will be necessary than have hitherto been assigned to each Battalion. One good Officer in each Company division will probably be able to keep the Muster Roll of that division correct; although in many cases the Officers, including those who have received their Commissions as Volunteers but now have no Companies, are so numerous as to render the duty merely nominal if the Officer commanding a Battalion should avail himself fully of their services.

At the Annual Muster it is the duty of Officers commanding Companies to correct their rolls by inserting alterations of ages, classes, and residences, and to account for the absence of those who may be unable to attend.

It is the duty of the Adjutant, assisting his commanding Officer, to collect these returns, and to see to the best of his ability that they are correct, by afterwards visiting the districts, or otherwise. He will then insert the numbers in the printed forms, which will be forwarded in every instance from Head Quarters; and the Officer commanding the Battalion will forward one of these forms to the Office of the Adjutant General. When this has been sent in and approved, each Adjutant this year will receive the sum of \$30.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief is pleased to inform Officers commanding Battalions that all necessary promotions and appointments will be made as soon as possible.

By Command.

THOMAS M. CROWDER,
Lt. Col., Adj. Gen.

TENDERS

FOR A STEAMER IN THE GULF.

PROPOSALS addressed to the Chief Commissioner will be received at the Office of Public Works, Fredericton, until noon of Friday, the 10th of July next, for the following service, DURING A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS, to commence at the opening of the navigation in the year 1864.

To run a good and well appointed sea-going Steamer, adapted both for the Carrying Trade and the conveyance of Passengers, of such power, size, speed, and capacity, as may be fully adequate to the required duty, once a fortnight each way between Shediac and Campbellton, touching at the intermediate Ports of Richibucto, Chatham, Newcastle, Bathurst, and Dalhousie; and twice each way every alternate week between Shediac and Newcastle, touching at the intermediate Ports of Richibucto and Chatham.

Each Tender is to specify the size, age, speed, character, and equipment, of the vessel proposed to be used, including the kind and condition of the boilers and machinery; to state the annual sum required for the proposed service, and to furnish a tariff of the rates of Freight and Passage, between the several Ports named, to which the party tendering is willing to be restricted.

The required Steamer is intended to run in connection with the Railway terminating at Shediac, to carry the Mails if so required, and to be under such rules and regulations as to hours of departure, tariff, and other particulars, as the Department may from time to time prescribe.

GEO. L. HATHEWAY,

Department of Public Works, *Chief Commissioner.*
Fredericton, 26th May, 1863.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

At the Annual Festival of the ENCÆNIA this day celebrated,—

The Douglas Gold Medal was presented to Mr. LUCIUS CAREY ALLISON, of the City of Saint John, author of the Prize Essay on "*The rise and progress of the English Empire in India.*"

With the approbation of the Senate and of the Academical Faculty, the Honorary Degree of DOCTOR IN CIVIL LAW was conferred upon His Excellency the Honorable ARTHUR HAMILTON GORDON, C. M. G., Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, and Visitor of the University; and upon the Honorable LEMUEL ALLAN WILMOT, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, and a Member of Senate.

Mr. HENRY LAWRENCE STURDEE, A. B., was admitted to the Degree of Master of Arts.

Messieurs Lucius Carey Allison, William Augustus Fairweather, Edwin Nelson Sharp, George Walker, William Thomas Wilkins, John Matthew Straton, Alexander Hughson, and George Frederick Fisher, Undergraduates, were admitted to the Degree of Bachelor of Arts.

The subject proposed for the Essay in competition for the Douglas Medal of the ensuing year, is—

"*The rise, progress, and decline of the Mahomedan Power in Asia, Africa, and Europe.*"

E. H. WILMOT, REGISTRAR

University, 25th June, 1863.

PROVINCIAL BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.

PRELIMINARY Notice of objects for which Premiums will be offered at next Provincial Exhibition to be held at Fredericton in 1864.

The Grains and Seeds of 1863 to be eligible for competition at Exhibition, as well as the Grains and Seeds of 1864.

I.—AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Cattle—Durham, Hereford, Devon, Ayrshire, or others.

Sheep—Leicester, South Down, or others.

Swine—Large, Small breeds, or others.

Horses—Blood, Harness, Saddle, Draught.

Poultry—Hens, Ducks, Turkeys, Geese.

Dairy, &c.—Butter, Cheese, Hams, Sugar, Starch.

Grains—Wheat, Barley, Rye, Oats, Corn.

Seeds—Pea, Bean, Turnip, Carrot, Mangold, Parsnip.

Roots—Turnips, Carrots, Mangolds, Parsnips, &c.

Implements—Ploughs, Harrows, Cultivators, Drills, Rollers,

Crushers, Fanners, Reapers, Mowers, and Horse Rakes,

Horse powers and Threshing Machines, Hay, Straw, and

Root Cutters, Pulpers, and Washers, Stumping and

Draining Machines, Spades, Shovels, Hoes, Rakes, Forks,

Carts, Churns, Presses.

Ploughing.