

known, in a similar way as the enrolment of the Reserve Militia is made known years before it takes place in general terms as to the manner in which the annual drill of the Active Militia is to be performed, and I respectfully recommend that battalion camps be authorized for the year following the drill at company headquarters and that afterwards for the year succeeding that year the force be assembled in brigade or divisional camps. This three years, course of training to be repeated continuously.

Among the advantages to be derived from this system are the following—

1. A larger proportion than heretofore of the best class of young men in the country would, I am convinced, join the ranks for this three years, service, and on retirement their places would be filled by others.

2. The superstructure of the force being rendered complete by the establishment of the Military College, the succession of steps, from "A." and "B." Batteries and the force in Manitoba to the last class of the Reserve Militia, would triennially become more and more efficient; the Reserve Militia, in its different classes, would be largely represented by three years past service men, ready and willing to support the Active Militia in the hour of need, and the active force would in turn send its most intelligent members from time to time to the Schools of Gunnery, or to the Brigade Schools built on that efficient basis, to be returned to their corps respectively, after a thorough course of instruction, to serve as models to their brethren.

By means such as these, without much increased expenditure, without any change of system, without having to resort in a hurry, perhaps too late, to the migratory class for aid in the hour of danger, without having to keep up an expensive standing Army, the mainstay of the military structure—the Active Militia force—would, I conceive, continue to stand on the surest foundation, and to be worthy of the confidence of the people of Canada, and it is a lesson that every nation that has built up its force to any extent on the Prussian model, excellent though it unquestionably be, should bear in mind that "imitations of Prussia are apt to be very deceptive; they are sure to give a large nominal force, but it is only when the system has been perfected by long and laborious efforts that it escapes from the two defects that mark its infaney—the want of drill and discipline in the men, and the want of experienced leaders, and especially of non-commissioned officers."

Aid to the Civil Authorities.

Whilst I was employed on an inspection tour in Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska Counties, in July last, I received the intimation that a disturbance at St. John, on the 12th of that month, was expected. I at once sent the Brigade-Major, who was on duty in Carleton County at the time, to St. John, with instructions, in the event of the services of the force being required.

Subsequently, Lieut.-Colonel Foster, the senior officer of the Active Militia at St. John, received the requisition of the chief magistrate, calling for a portion of the force of that city, (130 men with proper proportion of officers) to aid the civil power on the 12th July.

The requisition was promptly acted upon by Lieut.-Colonel Foster, and on the 26th July I submitted, for the information of the Major-General commanding, and the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, that officer's report, (A) shewing the steps taken by him and the force under his command, and bearing testimony to the "extremely good conduct of both officers and men during the day." A letter of thanks was afterwards communicated to Lieut.-Colonel Foster.

I also submitted to head-quarters the letter (B) of the Mayor of St. John, conveying thanks to Lieut. Colonel Foster for the "promptness" with which the force responded to the call in aid of the civil authorities.

Military Resources.

On the 4th July last, in compliance with instructions received from the Adjutant-General, I submitted a lengthened report on the military resources of the District

(New Brunswick) under my command, for use at head-quarters in regard to men, horses and provisions, and means of transport and conveying information respecting the strong features of the country; and, besides, as to any military particular that may tend to the defensive power of this District, and shewing the assailable points of the same.

I also submitted a most valuable outline map of my District, prepared by Capt. Henry Perley, commanding New Brunswick Engineer Corps, shewing the county divisions, leading roads, railways and water communications, harbours, &c., and accompanied by information in writing relating thereto, for all of which Capt. Perley received the thanks of the Major-General commanding, as well as my own acknowledgments.

I take this opportunity to express my best thanks to L. W. Bailey, Esq., Ph. Dr., Professor of the Fredericton University, for the valuable report with respect to the physical features and economic minerals of New Brunswick, kindly furnished by him; and also to Edward Jack, Esq., for the information as to the useful woods of the Province, jointly supplied by him and Dr. Bailey.

I also received much information from the officers of the Public Works and Crown Land Departments of New Brunswick, especially from Capt. A. G. Beckwith and Ensign Loggie, 71st Battalion, respectively.

Reduction of District Staff.

On the 19th May last the resignation of Lieut.-Colonel D. R. Jago, Assistant Inspector of Artillery, was accepted, and he was permitted to retain rank upon retirement.

As regards the resignation of this officer, I, personally, am unable adequately to express my sense of regret.

The artillery force of the Province, for whose improvement he had worked most assiduously, in conjunction with its officers, for many years past, with marvellous success, has lost the services of a true friend, and the community generally, I may add, much regret the departure from our midst of an excellent citizen.

We rejoice to know, however, that Lieut.-Colonel Jago has the strongest ties to this country as a Canadian, and I have his assurance that should his presence be required in New Brunswick in the hour of danger, or to assist in the training of the force thereof, no time will be lost on his part in placing his services at the disposal of the Major-General commanding.

On the 2nd June last a reduction of the Brigade Staff of the militia having been ordered, the services of the following officers of this District, who were permitted to retain their rank on retirement, were dispensed with, viz:—Lieut.-Colonel J. A. Inches, Brigade Major 1st Division; Lieut.-Colonel C. McCulley, Brigade Major 3rd Division.

As to the retirement of Lieut.-Colonel Inches—in expressing my sincere regret that such a step has been deemed necessary, I think it due to that officer to repeat that which I have already stated officially with respect to his services:—

9th February, 1875 "From the period—early in 1866—when he commanded a force of Volunteer Militia at St. Stephen, at the threatened Fenian invasion (for which his services were acknowledged in a special manner" by the then Commander in Chief, Hon. A. Gordon) to the present time there has scarcely been an annual report submitted in which the force of the 1st Brigade Division, in Lieut.-Col. Inches charge, has not been commended both as regards its complete numerical strength, and its efficiency, and it may be observed in my annual report for 1874, as well as that of 1875, that I took occasion at the breaking up of the camps in his Brigade Division, at St. Andrews, to advert in my brigade orders to the satisfactory state of efficiency of the force, and I subsequently reported favourably thereon, as "reflecting high credit upon the Brigade Major and officers commanding corps."

Lieut.-Colonel McCulley had also served long in the Militia force, and as President of the Northumberland County Rifle Association, took much interest in rifle practice. He did his best, moreover for the good of the force. Under the new regime—with reduced staff (although this District extends over a large area, and corps are in

many instances widely separated) with zeal and activity on the part of the Brigade Major, with promptitude and alacrity on the part of the District Paymaster and Storekeeper, and with forethought and intelligence on the part of officers commanding corps in the discharge of their important duties, respectively, I entertain no doubt that the duties of this District will be as correctly performed in the future as I assume they have been in the past.

And here I must express my acknowledgments to the Staff and to officers commanding corps for the valuable support and assistance they have invariably accorded me in the discharge of my duties as Deputy Adjutant General.

Examinations for Kingston Military College.

Three examinations for admission to Kingston Military College were held in this Province, commencing on 8th February, 2nd May and 5th December of this year, each examination occupying five and a half hours daily for four days consecutively. The following gentlemen have already been admitted to the College, viz:—

1. C. A. DesBrisay.
2. T. L. Reed.
3. Geo. E. Perley.

It is gratifying to know that in the order of merit on being approved for admission, as published in General Orders (11) of the 19th May last, Mr. C. A. DesBrisay, of Bathurst, N.B., is placed first on the list.

School of Military Instruction, Fredericton, N. B.

Staff: Commandant, Lieut.-Colonel G. J. Maunsell, D.A.G.; Adjutant, Lieut.-Colonel J. MacShane, B.M.; Examining Officer, Lieut.-Colonel J. Saunders, 8th Regiment Cavalry; Instructors, Captain McKenzie, and Sergeant Daniel.

Sixty-eight cadets obtained second-class certificates, 25 of whom were from York, 18 from St. John, 10 from Carleton, the rest were from other counties. So numerous were the applications for admission to the school, the Board of Examiners had to put an additional check to prevent the admission of an inferior class of men, and besides the usual certificate of commanding officers as to moral character, &c., a certificate was required shewing that the applicant is a member of the Active Militia, and likely to remain in the Province and become a useful member of the force. Thus an excellent class of cadets was secured, and the Adjutant and Captain McKenzie having done all in their power to ensure efficiency, I have no hesitation in stating that I consider the Military School at Fredericton last winter was more successful than were any of the previously conducted Schools.

An officer of the Active Militia in a recent non-official letter to me on this subject truly says, "there is no public expenditure more beneficial than the very moderate expenditure for the Schools (Military) and no portion of the people's money so directly gets back to the people." "You know"—he adds—"the great bulk of the cadets are from the rural districts, their families fixtures in the land, in all events they are British subjects and acquire during their stay at the schools, knowledge, technical or disciplinary worth far more than it costs, and to the average man it brings a sense of obligation to the country which affords it to him, that have its effect on him and those with whom he associates ever after."

In connection with this School, excellent as it unquestionably has proved, as a means of instructing officers and non-commissioned officers with the view to their being able to impart the knowledge so acquired to others. So numerous have been the cadets already passed through the school since it was originally established in 1869 (but few of whom have left the Dominion) I respectfully submit the desirableness of past cadets being triennially assembled as a battalion for brigade drill, in order to their improvement in the knowledge and practice of drill and field manoeuvres, their

services to be utilized in the mean time—in the intervening years—at company and battalion drill, as submitted in a previous suggestion.

It is also a question worthy, I think, of consideration, as to whether the time has not arrived for amending Section 33 of the Militia Law, by expunging that part of it authorizing Boards of Officers to grant certificates of fitness, as examination by such boards must necessarily be imperfect, and the means of acquiring military knowledge outside of schools of instruction is also by no means perfect, and both artillery and infantry schools have been long enough established to afford ample opportunity to all to qualify thereat.

Cavalry Schools.

The necessity for establishing a Cavalry School of Instruction is becoming annually more and more apparent. Cavalry officers have been for many years serving side by side with their brethren in the artillery and infantry, and while officers in these arms of the service have the opportunity of obtaining the necessary qualification to fit them for promotion, cavalry officers have no such opportunity afforded them.

I have recently (29th September, 1876) submitted to head-quarters a suggestion for supplying this want, which I earnestly hope may be favorably considered.

DOMINION ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION.

President, Lieut.-Colonel Strange, Inspector of Artillery.

The formation, in February last, of this Association having for its object the development of gunnery skill and the dissemination of artillery knowledge throughout the Dominion of Canada, may be considered the commencement of a new era in the artillery branch of the service, although it is generally known that a New Brunswick Artillery Association had previously been formed.

Having been present at the competitions of the different batteries in this District, held under the rules of the Association, I am enabled to state that not only has the shot and shell practice been satisfactorily carried out, under circular No. 2, but the method of awarding prizes proportioned to each battery, "relatively to the amount of their subscriptions," seems to give much satisfaction.

I may add that rule No. 12, as to special *Provincial meetings* in their respective Provinces appears to meet with general approval.

RIFLE ASSOCIATIONS.

The Provincial Rifle Association (President, Capt. Perley, N. B. Engineers) continues to be conducted with success.

The principal features that marked the competition at Sussex in August last were. 1st. The gifts to the Association of two valuable cups by James Domville, Esq., M. P., and William Elder, Esq., M.P.P., respectively; 2nd. The adoption by the Council of the targets and system of marking invented by Lieut.-Colonel Beer, 74th Battalion, a vice-patron of the Association; and 3rd. Holding for the first time for some years a long range match.

Having been present in command during the whole of the competition, I can bear cheerful testimony to the fact that both Lieut.-Colonel Beer's targets and system of marking worked most satisfactorily, and as stated in the report of the Council of the Association regarding them "one thing these targets enjoy over all others, and that is their extremely moderate cost, coupled with the ease and facility with which they can be erected *anywhere*, and the perfect safety to those marking."

For the above reasons, I respectfully submit the desirableness of the adoption of these targets by the Militia Department for general service.

The Council calls attention to the fact that "this year the Association did not send a team to Ottawa," to compete at the Dominion Rifle Association Match, "five of its members, however, proceeded there at their own expense and were eminently

successful both in obtaining a fair share of the prizes offered as well as in three of them getting a place on the team which it is possible may proceed to Wimbledon next year."

In conclusion, it is satisfactory to observe that, while the Provincial Association continues to be attended with success, County Associations and Rifle Clubs generally are increasing in popularity; and it may be added that at St. John, in particular, the lists of prizes to be competed for this year, both at the County Association and Rifle Club matches, were much larger than in any previous year, thanks to the liberality of the citizens and the energy of certain members of the force; and the prizes were competed for, apparently, with much increased skill on the part of the marksmen.

The following Associations held competitions this year, returns of which will be duly submitted:—

1. New Brunswick Provincial Rifle Association.
2. Charlotte County Rifle Association.
3. St. John do do
4. Carleton do do
5. York do do
6. Northumberland County Rifle Association.
7. King's County do
8. 62nd Battalion Rifle Club.
9. New Brunswick Engineer Corps Rifle Club.
10. Headquarters Company Rifle Club.

An article in the "St. John Daily Telegraph" of 26th August last, on the subject of our Rifle Associations is so forcible and worthy of consideration, I cannot refrain from making the following extract therefrom:—

"The tenth annual meeting of the Provincial Rifle Association was brought to a close yesterday, and it is no exaggeration to say that it has not been exceeded in point of interest by any of its predecessors.

"The Provincial Association meeting occupies an intermediate place between the Dominion meeting and the various county meetings, and there can be no doubt that in point of importance it occupies an intermediate position also. The most important rifle association meetings are the local ones, where the marksmen of each county assemble for the purposes of competition. These are the true nurseries of good rifle shooting, and compared to them, the Dominion Association meetings, with all their expensive surroundings, are of comparatively small account. Without these competitions we should have no riflemen to compete either for Provincial or Dominion prizes, and military rifle shooting would become a lost art. The Provincial Association meeting, however, is very important, for it is a gathering of the best marksmen from the county competitions, and enables us to gauge very accurately the progress we are making in marksmanship. The result of the meeting at Sussex is so encouraging, for it shows that we are not deteriorating, and that the average figure of merit among our military rifle men is high. The management of the whole meeting by the officers who had it in charge was excellent, and the conduct of the men was good. The New Brunswick Militia who assembled to compete at Sussex were a credit to their Province, both as marksmen and as soldiers; and it is extremely gratifying to be able to say that they acquitted themselves in both these respects to the satisfaction of all who saw them."

Annual Target Practice.

The following Target Practice Regulations were published in my District Orders of the 14th June last, and the target practice was carried out with good results, as shown in the Tabular Returns herewith under the head of "Figure of merit" of corps.

"Target Practice Regulations.

(5.) Position and aiming drills should be carried out as far as the limited time for drill will permit, Corps armed with the Snider rifle, and supplied with govern-

ment ammunition will fire five rounds at 200 yards, five rounds at 400 yards, and five rounds at 600 yards. The 8th Regiment of Cavalry, armed with the Snider carbine, will fire five rounds at 200 and five rounds at 400 yards.

The target shall be four feet wide and six feet high at 200 yards, with bull's eye (circular in form) one foot diameter; centre, three feet diameter; outer, remainder of target. At 400 and 600 yards, target six feet wide with bull's eye two feet diameter; centre, four feet diameter; outer, remainder of target.

The value of hits to be: bull's eye 4, centre 3, outer 2. Position when firing: standing at 200, kneeling at 400, and any position at 600 yards, but without artificial rests.

Officers commanding corps are reminded that the greatest care should be taken to prevent accidents occurring whilst at target practice. Orders have already been issued on this important subject.

The Deputy Adjutant-General offers the following prizes for good shooting, viz., to the best shot in every battery, troop and company, silver rifle with stars; to the best shot in every brigade, regiment and battalion, silver cross rifles with crown."

Target practice having been carried out by the Active Militia for many years, and the shooting of the "marksmen" of the Province, as shown by the Returns of Rifle Matches, being excellent, I respectfully submit that in my opinion the time has come when a proportion of each corps may with great advantage be armed with Martini-Henri Rifle, with the view of improving the system of musketry training in the force and of developing the shooting powers of the soldiers.

I have had frequent occasions to point out the difficulty of carrying out preliminary drills generally, according to musketry regulations. In every corps, however, there is a proportion of marksmen who devote more time than other men can in developing their skill. To these I should recommend the issue of the Martini-Henri rifle. And on these, in the event of invasion, would probably devolve the important duty of being sent to the front as skirmishers, and the effect produced by a superior rifle in the hands of such men would be disastrous to an enemy.

8th Regiment of Cavalry—Lieut-Col. Saunders.

The inspection of this fine regiment by myself on the 15th July on the completion of its annual drill has already been adverted to in this report, it is only necessary to add that success attended the efforts of both officers and men in maintaining efficiency during the limited time at their disposal. So limited indeed was the time that instruction in many important details of the cavalry soldier's duty had necessarily to be omitted.

Newcastle Field Battery of Artillery—Brevet-Major Call.

Inspected by the Inspector of Artillery and myself on the 29th July. Brevet Major Call has had, from time to time, since the acceptance of this battery in 1868, to overcome some obstacles to ensure the better organization of the corps, among which may be mentioned the difficulty of obtaining good horses. Whilst the Intercolonial Railway was being constructed, he has never experienced difficulty in securing the services of men of a good class, and the overcoming of difficulties appears to be not the least agreeable part of this officer's duty. He must, therefore, have been pleased that the Inspector expressed himself satisfied at the degree of efficiency attained.

Woodstock Field Battery—Capt. Dibblee.

I regret that the Inspector of Artillery was unable to see this battery on the completion of its annual drill in camp, as he would have found, I can bear testimony, the various parts of an efficient battery in working order; the captain a well trained officer from "A" Battery, School of Gunnery, backed by a zealous subaltern, intelligent non-commissioned officers and drivers, the owners of horses of an excellent stamp,

and fairly trained gunners, all drawn from one of the finest agricultural counties in the Dominion, the people of which county take a just pride in the Active Militia force in their midst.

The camp was situated on a plateau near the town of Woodstock; the parade ground afforded sufficient scope for drill.

The camp duties appear to have been properly carried out, and good order and discipline prevailed.

N. B., Brigade of Garrison Artillery—Lieut-Colonel Foster.

The four batteries at St. John were inspected by Lieut.-Colonel Strange on the 8th August.

After many years of careful training, under the supervision of Lieut.-Colonel Jago, with no lack of zeal and activity and with much knowledge on the part of the officers, from Lieut.-Colonel Foster downwards, and with no ordinary intelligence on the part of the non-commissioned officers and gunners, it must have been extremely gratifying to every member of the brigade to learn from the Inspector of Artillery, who is evidently as ready with words of blame when deserved, as with terms of praise where due, that their steps of progress have been in the right direction.

No. 7 Battery, Chatham—Brevet-Major Gillespie.

I am glad to have to report, from the drill and practice witnessed by me on the 29th July, in the absence through illness of the Inspector of Artillery, that I consider the efficiency of this battery forms no exception to the rule as to the satisfactory state of efficiency of the rest of the brigade.

It has been recommended to change the Infantry Company at Dalhousie, now an isolated corps, into a Battery of Garrison Artillery for the defence of the important Harbour of Dalhousie.

I regret that the efforts made to reorganize the Battery at St. Andrews, even by having half the battery at St. Stephen, with head quarters at St. Andrews, have not as yet been successful.

Before concluding my report, with respect to the Artillery of New Brunswick, a force highly commended by inspecting officers, I think it due to Sergeant-Major Hughes, late R.A., to bear testimony to his indefatigable efforts in imparting instruction to the different corps, efforts that have produced excellent results.

62nd "St. John" Battalion—Lieut-Col. Arbuthnot Blaine.

I inspected this battalion on the 1st August.

It paraded its full numerical strength.

The field officers and captains, in some instances, were tested as to their knowledge of imparting instruction in battalion drill, and company officers in like manner were tested in company drill, and the corps was exercised in skirmishing.

In the absence of the Major General commanding, I am glad that an officer of much experience in the Imperial Army and one who takes a deep interest in the Active Militia of New Brunswick, Major General Domville, R.A., was present during the whole of this inspection, and I cannot do better than quote his words, as reported, with respect to the efficiency of the corps.

He expressed himself, "surprised at the proficiency displayed, knowing the constitution of the battalion, knowing that there was a large proportion of recruits in the ranks, and knowing how long it takes in the regular army to make the men efficient."

Major General Domville, remarked particularly as to the way in which Captain and Adjutant McLean (a past cadet of the Military School) drilled the battalion, and he conveyed some excellent advice respecting their military duties to both officers and men.

It may be added that the majority of the officers are passed cadets of the Military School.

On the retirement of Lieut-Colonel Sullivan—himself an officer of long standing—the corps has secured a worthy successor in Lieut-Colonel Blaine, of whose zeal and energy, I have already had occasion to bear testimony. He has served in almost every capacity in the force, from the Private to the Lieut-Colonel, and while he has shown himself willing to obey, he has proved himself to be fitted to command.

67th Battalion "Carleton Light Infantry"—Lieut.-Colonel Upton.

Accompanied by the Lieut.-Colonel I inspected the different companies shewn in the tabular return hereto appended, while the Brigade-Major inspected the companies at Woodstock and Victoria Corner. I have with pleasure observed the steps of development of this fine battalion for the past ten years, commencing with one volunteer company at Woodstock, subsequently the Home Guards, commanded by Lieut.-Colonels Baird and Tupper, at the time of the threatened invasion were added to its strength, and now the organization, comprising ten companies, extends over three flourishing agricultural counties: Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska; and efficient as the battalion has at all times been, I consider that the captains of the following companies deserve special mention, for it was apparent at my inspection that they had left nothing undone to ensure a remarkable degree of proficiency:—Capt. Hartly, Peel; Capt. Baker, Baker Brook, Lieut. Beckwith, Grand Falls.

The Brigade-Major, besides, reports most favourably, as I should expect, as to the efficiency of Captain Bourne's company.

71st Battalion—Lieut.-Colonel Marsh.

When, in company with the Lieut.-Colonel, I inspected the Fredericton Company, Capt. Copley, on the Queen's birthday, I considered it worthy of being the "District Head-quarters Corps" officers and men setting an example to others in efficiency and soldierlike appearance: and when I afterwards inspected the out-station companies at St. Marys, Stanley and Bright (Brevet-Majors Staples and Wilkinson, and Capt. Christy), I there found that the same zealous energy prevailed in maintaining the efficiency of the battalion. There are many "past cadets" in this corps, and they have, in most instances, proved to be useful members of the force.

73rd Battalion—Major Shirreff.

The three companies drawn for drill of this battalion were inspected by the Brigade-Major on the dates shewn in the tabular return, and he reports favourably as to their efficiency, more particularly in the case of the Baie du Vin Company, Capt. Cameron. This is as might be expected, as this officer is a well trained "past cadet" of the Military School, and his example in attending the school at some personal sacrifice may be followed with advantage by others in the battalion.

74th Battalion—Lieut.-Colonel Beer.

I inspected the companies of this battalion drawn for drill on the 18th, 19th and 20th of July last. The Lieut.-Colonel accompanied me at the inspection of the two companies, Captains Wetmore and Alward, and he may be congratulated on the acquisition of two efficient companies, especially the former company, the captain having evidently made good use of the time at his disposal for drill.

Capt. Murray's Company may also be mentioned as keeping up the credit of the corps as regards efficiency. There were many spectators at the inspection of this company, shewing a loyal spirit on behalf of the Active Militia.

St. George Infantry Company—Brevet-Major McGee.

Charlotte County has at all times produced efficient corps, and it was evident from the inspection of this company on the 17th June last, that the same good spirit

that has marked the corps of this county still prevails. The efficiency of Major McGee's Company is all that can be desired.

On the completion of the Southern Railway, at an early day it is expected, this company can be easily conveyed to any point of concentration in the west of New Brunswick.

Dalhousie Infantry Company—Capt. Barbarie.

This company has already been adverted to in this report under the head of Garrison Artillery.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

GEO. J. MAUNSELL, Lieut.-Colonel
Deputy Adjutant General commanding.

Colonel Powell, Adjutant-General.

[A.]

St. JOHN, N.B., July 13th, 1876.

Sir,—For the information of the Major-General commanding, I have the honour to state, that on Tuesday the 11th day of July instant, at 11.15 o'clock p.m., I, as senior officer of the District, received from the Mayor of this city a document (copy annexed*) dated 5th July instant, signed by himself and two other Justices of the Peace, informing me that in their opinion a disturbance of the peace of the city was anticipated, and that they should "require the service of the Active Militia," and requesting me "to call out the same in aid of the civil power, for the purpose of preventing or suppressing such anticipated disturbance."

At 12.30 p.m. same date I issued an order for one hundred and thirty men, with a due proportion of officers, to muster on the barrack square in marching order without knapsacks, at 7.30 a. m. on the 12th inst.

At 8.25 a.m. (12th) I addressed a note to the Mayor (note annexed) informing his Worship that at 10.30 a.m., in compliance with his requisition, the corps would be paraded at the City Court House to await his further instructions.

Punctually to the time named the force was on the ground, and properly equipped for duty.

As the weather was quite warm, the men were marched into the Court House, and remained there until 4 o'clock p.m., when I received a communication—(copy annexed) from the Mayor, which stated that for certain reasons given their services were no longer required, and thanking them for "the promptness with which they were called out in aid of the civil power."

Previous to marching the corps to their several armories, I requested the Brigade Major, Lieut.-Colonel MacShane, to read the Mayor's letter. At its close I thanked the officers and men for their prompt response to my order, and for their extremely good conduct during the day, assuring them that it gave me, and I believed every lover of good order in our city, the greatest pleasure to know, that in our midst and of our own people we had a body of well drilled men, on whom, in case of any emergency occurring to require their aid our civil authorities could at all times depend, giving expression at the same time to the hope, that as in the present instance so might it be in the future, that the good sense of our people might never require their services in any other capacity than as protectors and defenders of the liberties of our country.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Yours very truly,

S. A. FOSTER, Lieut.-Colonel Commanding.

The Adjutant General of Militia,
Ottawa.

*A. S. O. not enclosed.

[B.]

MAYOR'S OFFICE,
St. JOHN, N.B., 12th July, 1876, at 3 o'clock p.m.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of this date, stating, that in compliance with requisition, you have ordered out a body of the Active Militia of this District in aid of the civil power.

I have now to inform you that the public procession of the society known as the Society of Orangemen, has passed through the streets, and that from the commendable conduct of the people in the districts through which the procession passed, no disturbance of the peace has occurred. And I have to state that the services of the Active Militia under your command are no longer required.

I have also to thank you for the promptness with which the Militia force was called out in aid of the civil power for the purpose of preventing or suppressing anticipated disturbance.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Signed), A. CHIPMAN SMITH, Mayor.

To Lieut.-Colonel Foster,
Senior Officer, Active Militia,
St. John, N. B.

MILITARY DISTRICT No 9.

HALIFAX, N. S.
29th November, 1876.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform you that the quota of Active Militia required to be furnished from the District under my command, was originally fixed at 4,284.

The actual enrolled strength of corps, which have been accepted and gazetted is 4,486. Under the regulations for annual training for 1876-77, the number of men to be called out for training was limited to 2,350, and the strength of companies was also not to exceed 42 rank and file.

I found a very general desire on the part of all the corps and all the companies composing each corps to attend training, and as it was by General Order left with me to select the corps for drill, I held it was most desirable to maintain the cadres of all the corps, and kept this in view in my arrangements for the selection.

I append copy marked (A) of the District Order, and subsequent action under which the choice of corps was made.

The actual strength of effectives inspected or absent on account of sickness or causes beyond control was 2,218, and 148 who had actually completed training, but who were absent without leave or satisfactory explanation from inspection were struck off the pay list.

Tabular inspection reports are forwarded herewith, also particulars of the inspection of each corps.

1st BRIGADE.—(HALIFAX CITY.)

The Halifax Light Battery.

The annual shot and shell practice was conducted on the 11th August, at Point Pleasant, Lieut.-Colonel Strange, Dominion Inspector of Artillery, was present and expressed himself to me as well satisfied with the skill shown in the practice.

The 1st and 2nd Halifax Brigades Garrison Artillery consisting of 7 Batteries for training were inspected by me on the 3rd November, 1876. The turn out of officers and men was, as is always the case with the corps of the City Brigade, soldierly,

smart and creditable. After inspection of clothing and appointments by batteries and comparison of numbers present with parade states, the seven batteries were formed into a battalion, under Lieut.-Colonel Mitchell, and put through a steady drill, which was creditably performed.

A gun detachment was then taken from each battery, and the guns in the drill shed were manned and worked under command of Major Boak. Considering the shortness of time allowed for training the men worked the guns remarkably well, and did their officers and instructors great credit.

The 63rd (Rifles) was inspected by me on the 7th November; the work in battalion and skirmishing was good, and thus shows the results of the careful training this corps has for so long undergone.

The 66th was inspected the same day, a much younger battalion in the service, under Lieut.-Colonel Bremner's painstaking in training, do him and themselves credit. The men of this battalion have, I understand, given the whole of their annual drill pay to the regimental and company funds, an example worthy of imitation.

78th Highlanders.

Four companies of this battalion were inspected by me at Truro, on the 20th October. Major Blair who, in Lieut.-Colonel Campbell's absence on leave, was in command, handled the men very creditably both in battalion and skirmishing; the readiness shown by the men in taking advantage of cover when skirmishing, showed that last year's lessons had not been lost on them, and the perfect steadiness of the men in the ranks was very commendable.

No. 5 Company was inspected by me at Windsor on the 26th October. Capt. Burgess as usual has been indefatigable in his attention to the training of his men, and his efforts have been well rewarded.

Pictou Battery Garrison Artillery was inspected by me at Pictou on the 20th November. The men of this battery train all the year round, and take great pride in both drill and appearance, both do them credit.

Cumberland Provisional Battalion (3 companies), under Major Harrison was inspected by me at Spring Hill, on the 14th July. These companies are composed of good, willing and steady men who work fairly in battalion and skirmishing movements, but there is plenty of room for more smartness, both in turn out and in drill.

2ND BRIGADE.

The 68th Battalion was inspected at Kentville, on the 19th September, by Lieut.-Colonel Milsom, during my absence on leave. His reports favourably of the battalion His report marked (B) is attached.

The 69th Battalion was inspected by me at Paradise on the 7th September. Lieut.-Colonel Starratt takes great pride in his battalion, which always turns out with full ranks, and is composed of a fine body of men. The general movements of a battalion, both in close and extended order, were fairly performed. No. 9 Company was inspected at Bear River on the 21st November, by Lieut.-Colonel Milsom, and is referred to in his report marked (B) attached.

The 72th Battalion was inspected by me at Middleton on the 30th October. This battalion is also composed of a very fine body of men, as far as physical appearance is concerned; the men were generally steady and attentive, and went through their drill fairly, but hardly take sufficient pride in their personal appearance.

The 75th Battalion was inspected at Lunenburg on the 26th October by Lieut.-Colonel Milsom, who mentions the battalion favorably in his report marked (B) attached.

The Lunenburg and Mahone Bay Batteries of Garrison Artillery were inspected at Lunenburg with the 75th battalion, and drilled as part of the battalion at infantry drill. These batteries have not as yet had any artillery training, as the commanding officers have always reported that their men were absent on fishing voyages at times

suitable for encamping near the harbor batteries for great gun practice and drill. Lieut.-Colonel Milsom's report speaks favourably of the willingness and steadiness of these men.

3RD BRIGADE.

The Victoria Provisional Battalion was inspected by me at Baddeck, on the 4th July, 1876. This regiment is composed for the most part of a fine body of men, who are generally attentive and willing, but want a great deal of practice in battalion drill.

No. 5 Company was inspected by me at Sydney on the 6th July, but owing to the prevalence of a heavy storm of rain and wind, was dismissed after a few movements.

The conduct of the detachment of this battalion that was called out in aid of the civil power, and proceeded under Lieut.-Colonel Reade's orders to protect property and life during the strike at Sydney Mines, had been already reported by me, and favourably noticed in General Orders, and I can only again repeat my approval of the tact and good judgment displayed by Lieut.-Colonel Reade on this occasion.

ARMS.

I cannot refrain from again calling attention, as in my reports for 1874 and 1875, to the necessity for the arms in possession of the several corps in this District being inspected and put in order by a competent armourer.

CLOTHING.

In the last issues of infantry trowsers made to several corps in this District, the material was very inferior and would not stand the wear and tear that necessarily accompanies active service.

TRAINING.

The rural battalions are composed of a class of men who are very painstaking, and in good hands would rapidly become efficient; they require officers and non-commissioned officers who can and will instruct them. Both officers and men are zealous, but officers hardly appear to realise the necessity for preliminary reading up and practice before the annual training commences, so that they may be able to make the most of the few days training that General Orders prescribe for the men. In these corps, therefore, strong necessity exists, as I have already recommended, for the preliminary training of officers and non-commissioned officers.

In the City Brigade where the drill is more continuous, officers make a point of keeping up their drill, and the results are creditable to them and satisfactory to their commanders.

Now that the number of days prescribed for drill is so much reduced, and the days' pay is so small, it becomes a question whether it would not be expedient to issue the amount as a capitation grant to the company, or corps, instead of as pay to the individual—very few men, even at present, join the force for the sake of the pay, but there is little doubt that many good men are deterred from belonging to it, lest they should be said to be drilling for pay—and good as the material of which the Militia is at present composed may be, it is obviously desirable to get the very best that may be obtainable, and remove any obstacles that may hinder good men from coming in.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. WIMBURN LAURIE, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No. 9.

The Adjutant-General of Militia,
Ottawa.

[A.]

(District Order No. 1.)

HALIFAX, N. S., 31st May, 1876.

In accordance with instructions contained in General Orders (10) of 18th May, 1876, relative to annual training of the Militia, the following will be the detail of corps authorized to train, in order to keep within the quota allowed to this District:

	District Detail	Head Quarter's Detail.
Halifax Field Battery.....	80	80
7 Batteries G. A., at 42 each and 6 Staff....	300	465
3 do 41 do	123	
26 Companies Infantry at 44 each.....	1,144	
16 do 42 do	688	1,805
Battalion Staff	23	
	<u>2,358</u>	<u>2,350</u>

The Garrison Batteries will be selected by lot, the drawing being made by single batteries.

In the Infantry, half a battalion of each corps or in all 28 companies will first be selected to drill, so that the regimental organization may, as far as practicable, be maintained—the remaining companies will be selected by lot from the whole force, the drawing being made by separate companies.

The number of staff officers permitted to train with the several corps will be named by the Deputy Adjutant-General according to the strength of each corps, and the total number permitted to train under General Order (10).

Lots will be drawn at 2:30 p. m., on the 1st June, in presence of a District Board composed of the Deputy Adjutant-General as President, Lieut.-Colonels commanding Battalions and District Staff at Head Quarters as members.

J. WIMBURN LAURIE, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No. 9..

HALIFAX, N.S., 1st June, 1876.

We certify that the selection by lot of the corps for training the ensuing season, was made in our presence, and that the undernamed corps were so selected.

1st Halifax Brigade, Garrison Artillery—4 Batteries.

2nd do do	3	do
Mahone Bay Battery,	1	do
Lunenburg do do	1	do
Pictou do do	1	do

63rd Battalion Rifles—5 Companies.

66th do Infantry	4	do
68th do do	6	do
69th do do	6	do
72nd do do	4	do
75th do do	4	do
78th do do	5	do

Victoria Provisional Battalion—5 Companies

Cumberland do	3	do
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(Signed) J. W. LAURIE, Colonel.
D.A.G. President.

do	T. MILSOM, Lieut.-Col., B. M.
do	JAS. J. BREMNER, Lieut.-Col. 66th Batt'n
do	GEO. MITCHELL, Lieut.-Col. 1st H. B., G. A.
do	D. McPHERSON, Lieut.-Col. 2nd H. B., G. A.
do	W. H. PALLISTER, Lieut.-Col. 63rd Batt'n. Rifles.
do	C. J. MACDONALD, Major, Dist. Paymaster.

(District Order No. 2.)

HALIFAX, 10th June, 1876.

In accordance with instructions contained in General Orders (10) of 18th May, 1876, and District Order of 31st May the selection by lot was made in presence of a Board of Officers on 1st June.

The undernamed corps are authorized to train during the present season, numbers not to exceed 39, exclusive of Staff and Band.

Halifax Field Battery.

All ranks..... 80

1st Halifax Brigade Garrison Artillery.

4 Batteries at 42 each, and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant 171

2nd Halifax Brigade Garrison Artillery.

3 Batteries at 42 each, and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant 129

Mahone Bay Battery, Garrison Artillery..... 41

Lunenburg do do 41

Pictou do do 41

63rd Rifles.

5 Companies and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant... 223

66th Battalion.

4 Companies and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant... 179

68th Battalion.

6 Companies and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant... 267

69th Battalion.

6 Companies and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant... 267

72nd Battalion.

4 Companies and 2 Staff—Lieut.-Col., and Surgeon..... 170

75th Battalion.

4 Companies and 2 Staff—Major and Surgeon..... 170

78th Battalion.

5 Companies and 3 Staff—Lieut.-Col., Surgeon and Adjutant.... 223

Cumberland Provisional Battalion.

3 Companies and 2 Staff—Major and Surgeon..... 125

Victoria Provisional Battalion.

5 Companies and 2 Staff—Major and Surgeon..... 212

J. WIMBURN LAURIE, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No. 9.

RETURN showing corps, officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Active Militia in Military District No. 9 who cannot under General Order (10), of 18th May, 1876, draw pay for training for the year 1876-77.

Kings County Troop of Cavalry.
1st Halifax Brigade, Garrison Artillery—2 Batteries and 4 Staff Officers.
2nd Halifax Brigade, Garrison Artillery—3 Batteries and 3 Staff Officers.
Digby Battery Garrison Artillery.
63rd Battalion Rifles—1 Company and 5 Staff Officers.
66th Battalion—4 Companies and 5 Staff Officers.
68th Battalion—3 Companies and 5 Staff Officers.
69th Battalion—3 Companies and 5 Staff Officers.
72nd Battalion—2 Companies and 4 Staff Officers.
75th Battalion—2 Companies and 2 Staff Officers.
78th Battalion—2 Companies and 4 Staff Officers.
Cumberland Provisional Battalion—2 Companies and 3 Staff Officers.
Victoria Provisional Battalion—3 Staff Officers.

J. WIMBURN LAURIE, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No. 9.

[B.]

(District No. 9.)

HALIFAX, 25th November, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honour to report that in compliance with your instructions, I inspected the following corps of Militia in this District.

68th Battalion, at Kentville, under the command of Lieut.-Col. Chipman.

Battalion, firing exercise and skirmishing fairly performed.

Strength—15 officers, 260 men

75th Battalion Lunenburg, and the Lunenburg and Mahone Bay Batteries of Garrison Artillery were formed in battalion under the command of Major J. Rudolf, 75th Battalion, and practised in company, battalion and skirmishing; satisfactorily performed.

Strength—10 officers, 151 men.

I inspected No. 9 Company, 69th Battalion, at Clements Port on the 21st Nov., under the command of Capt. W. Harris.

Strength—2 officers, 42 men.

Manual and platoon exercise and company drill fairly performed.

This company is thirty miles from battalion head-quarters, and could not be brought to drill with it.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

T. MILSOM, Lieut.-Col.

COL. LAURIE, D.A.G.,
Military District No. 9,
Halifax.

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 12.

HEAD-QUARTERS, CHARLOTTETOWN,
30th November, 1876,

SIR,—I have the honour to submit the accompanying Inspection Report for the information of the Major-General commanding, being the Annual Return of drill and training of the Active Militia in this District.

In obedience to the instructions contained in the General Order dated Headquarters, Ottawa, 18th May last, I at once conferred with Lieut.-Colonel Beer, the senior officer of the Active Militia, and arranged with him that the corps and companies named in the report should be detailed to perform the annual drill. Of these seven corps and companies have performed the eight day's drill—in number, 14 officers and 274 non-commissioned officers and men, while two companies, Nos. 2 and 3, of the Queen's County Battalion have not drilled.

In the month of July the Inspector of Artillery visited this Province, and under the requirements of No. 1 of General Orders 8th October, 1875, a Board of which he was a member, assembled in Charlottetown to inspect and report upon articles unserviceable and deficient in the Artillery equipments. On the 25th July detachments from Nos. 1 and 2 Batteries of the Charlottetown Garrison Artillery practised with solid shot from the six-pounder gun, under the supervision of the Inspector, and afterwards the two batteries paraded for his inspection, when he was pleased to express his opinion of the two batteries in commendatory terms, and also awarded prizes from the Dominion Artillery Association to the best shots.

On the 22nd August the Provincial Rifle Association held its annual meeting which was well attended by members from the Active Militia.

On the 31st August I proceeded to Alberton and inspected No. 4 Company of the Prince County Battalion. Lieut.-Colonel Hunter-Dewar, commanding the battalion

with his usual zeal, met me on the parade. I found this company in excellent order and discipline, but labouring under the serious disadvantage of having a captain who alleges that his business arrangements prevent his giving that attention to the company which he otherwise would, and that he is about to resign.

Returning from Alberton on the following day, I inspected at Summerside Captain Price's Battery of Garrison Artillery. This corps has been unfortunate in having had three captains within the year; but I am glad to be able to report that the gentleman who has last been appointed is an intelligent, capable officer, who, with a commendable desire to qualify himself for his duties, proceeded to Quebec a few days ago for a course of instruction in the School of Gunnery—and I have no doubt he will prove a credit to the service. This battery turned out clean and orderly, but greatly behind in their knowledge of drill. It is very desirable that suitable ordnance should be supplied, as they allege they were enrolled under the assurance that they were to be equipped in accordance with their designation.

On the 4th August I inspected the newly raised company at Cardigan, being No. 2 of the King's County Battalion, Major Macdonald commanding. The battalion met me at the station, and I have to thank this officer for his valuable aid in the very difficult task of enrolment. This company had only been drilled for the first time, yet made a creditable appearance, and as the captain is a gentleman of considerable influence in the locality, he will be able to do much to promote its efficiency.

From Cardigan I proceeded to Georgetown and inspected Captain Owen's Battery of Garrison Artillery, and as usual with this excellent officer, I found it in a condition with respect to drill and discipline which reflects much to his praise. The attendance on parade was limited, owing to the weather. This battery is also unprovided with guns.

On the 18th October I inspected, in Charlottetown, Major Morris's Battery of Garrison Artillery, and on the 30th of the same month I inspected Major Pollard's Battery of Garrison Artillery, and No. 6 Company of the Queen's County Battalion; all of these made a very good turn out, and were tolerably well up to their drill.

I have now to report that both officers and men of the Artillery express their dissatisfaction with the clothing; and although I cannot but assume it is not within my province to offer comments in a public report on the merits or demerits of the equipment provided by the Government, yet in this case I venture to do so, to remark that the serge tunic, however well adapted for light fatigue duties in summer or in a tropical climate, is not, in my opinion, calculated to wear for any length of time from a want of durability in the cloth, and the fit is not such as to make the wearing of it popular among young men taking a pride in their personal appearance. Complaint is also made of the want of a suitable head gear for dress parades.

There is a matter which has caused me some anxiety and concern, which I deem it but right and proper respectfully to submit for the consideration of the Major-General commanding. I would allude to the position of those rural companies which being beyond an ordinary day's march are consequently unable to avail themselves of the range at the head-quarters of the Regimental Division. If they continue to practice with ball, without butts or any protection to the public, the lives of passers-by cannot fail to be thereby endangered, a risk no one should be obliged to run when the insignificant outlay of a very moderate sum would wholly prevent what would be a deplorable calamity. I would therefore recommend that a proper range be provided at each of the head-quarters of the companies I have referred to.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble servant,

JOHN HAMILTON GRAY,
Lieut.-Col., Deputy Adjutant-General.

To the Adjutant-General,
Head-quarters, Ottawa.

MILITARY DISTRICT NO. 10.

HEAD QUARTERS,
WINNIPEG, 5th December, 1876.

SIR,—Since my last annual report, several changes have occurred in the organization of the District under my command.

The force on service, has been largely reduced, the troops remaining here being barely sufficient to perform the ordinary garrison duties, and those requisite for the efficient protection of the barracks and stores at Fort Osborne.

Of the local force two companies "the Poplar Point," and the "Mapleton," have been struck off the list, having become non-efficient; these were among the last of the organizations which I found here at the time of my assuming command of the District in 1871, and which, raised and gazetted under circumstances of excitement, have gradually become ineffective.

Of the corps raised at the time to which I refer, the only still existing are the "Winnipeg" Field Battery of Artillery and the "Scuth St. Andrews" Rifle Company.

The former, as will be seen by my detailed report, gives great promise of efficiency. The latter I recommend should be retained on the list in view of future re-organization; special circumstances peculiar to this new Province have presented obstacles to the drill of this corps during this year, but I have every expectation that it can be reorganized as an Infantry Company in the ensuing spring.

The prospects of the formation of a real and effective and not a "paper" Force in this Province are now good.

One new company, the "Kildonan," composed of farmers, natives of the country, (with few exceptions) chiefly of Scotch descent, presents a body of young men, whose physique and intelligence compares favorably with any company I am acquainted with in the Eastern Provinces.

A company from Emerson, and two from Winnipeg, are offered for acceptance; these three companies are organized on the best of bases, and as previously reported their enrolment is strongly recommended by me.

The actual strength of corps existing and authorized in this Province, is as follows:—

Dominion Forces on Service in Manitoba.

	Officers.	N. C. Officers. and Men.
Detachment of Artillery.....	1	25
Company of Infantry.....	4	25
Total.....	5	50
<i>Local Corps.</i>		
Winnipeg Field Battery.....	6	74
South St. Andrews Rifle Company.....	3	42
Kildonan Infantry Company.....	3	42
Total.....	12	158

Of the above corps I have to report as follows—

Dominion Forces on Service.

The Artillery Detachment, under command of Lieut. and Brevet-Captain Cotton, is in a state of efficiency; a thorough course of training, with the exception of riding drill, to the extent, that is desirable, has been gone through during the past year.

Theoretical and practical instruction has been carried out, including actual practice with their armament, viz:—9-pounder muzzle-loading rifled gun. A tabulated statement (B) and report (A) from the officer commanding this corps is forwarded.

The Infantry Company so far as their limited numbers allowed, have been trained and exercised in their duties and drill.

Both the above named corps may be considered as in a high state of efficiency, and in organization, discipline and drill, so far as numbers permit, are equal in all such respects to Her Majesty's regular troops of the line.

Both the above corps have gone through the regular annual course of training of theoretical as well as practical instruction in musketry, including "target practice" and "judging distance drill," under Acting Musketry Instructor Ensign Street. The officers of both corps, and non-commissioned officers, have, during the autumn, daily gone through a course either of readings or instruction in standing gun drill, in accordance with District orders published from time to time.

It may be worthy of notice that in a competitive examination for an honorary prize, written and practical, with a standard of merit of more than average value, which was keenly competed for by several sergeants, the winner, whose marks were within 25 per cent. of the utmost figure, was one entirely trained in this service. With the exception of two or three subjects, the examination was of a stringency fully equal to that of a subaltern's in the regular service.

LOCAL CORPS.

The "Winnipeg Field Battery of Artillery."

This corps, of which I have already had the honour to report favorably, has this year, for the first time, been in a position to go through the annual training in camp, the results were very satisfactory.

The armament of the corps not having arrived at the time arranged for the training, although it was in transition from eastward, the officer commanding the detachment of Dominion Artillery, with my sanction, lent the guns, harness, etc., in his charge for the annual drill.

The camp was situated at a point known as "Little Stony Mountain," about six miles to the westward of Winnipeg, and was conducted in accord with the general orders relative to the training of Field Batteries of Artillery.

The inspection of the corps was in all respects satisfactory, and the conduct of the men while in camp was excellent; the result of this, the first training of the corps in camp, reflects credit on Major Kennedy and the officers of the Battery.

I was assisted in carrying out the details of the inspection of this corps, and the preliminary arrangements relative to the artillery training, by Lieut. and Brevet-Captain Cotton of the Dominion forces here, for whose services in this report I beg to record my thanks.

The South St. Andrews Rifle Company.

Local circumstances combined to preclude this corps from going through the annual course of training; the officer commanding, however, is of opinion that the corps can be reorganized (the term of enlistment of the men has now expired) in the spring, and with this view, and bearing in mind its past efficiency, I would recommend that it be retained for the present on the list.

The Kildonan Infantry Company.

This corps has not yet received equipment and uniform, and therefore has been unable to put in its annual course of drill. Notwithstanding, a voluntary drill is regularly maintained weekly, and I have little doubt but that this will become a highly efficient corps.

School of Instruction.

I have in two successive Reports, strongly recommended the establishment of a School of Military Instruction for the Province at this station, in connection with the force on service here—the distance to the nearest Schools acts as an insuperable barrier in most cases to the officers or non-commissioned officers qualifying as in the other Provinces, and the want is much felt.

Armourer for the District.

This want, on which I have already, on more than one occasion, had the honour to report, I again respectfully beg to mention.

Government Militia Buildings.

Repairs to such of the buildings at Fort Osborne as are now occupied, and to such an extent as was absolutely requisite, have been completed, in accordance with the authority received in November last. The repairs have been well effected, and not only will the men be much more comfortable than hitherto, in winter, but a considerable saving in the costly item of fuel-wood will be made, from the buildings having been made wind and weather-tight.

Powder Magazine.

May I again draw attention to the absolute necessity of having a magazine constructed at Fort Osborne. At present, the fixed ammunition has to be distributed in the store huts, while "loose" powder is still kept, for want of a proper place of deposit, in the temporary earth magazine on the banks of the River Assiniboine.

The dampness of this place of storage deteriorates the powder, which has to be removed when the spring floods occur, during their prevalence.

General Remarks.

The reduction of the force on service at the end of the past financial year, so far diminished the strength that, though much curtailed, the duties of the men have been heavy, and a further drain on the strength has lately been made in consequence of the necessity of detailing an officer's party in aid of the civil power, to a point in the northern portion of the Province, where a quarantine line between non-infected and infected districts by small-pox has been established by the Provincial authorities.

The conduct of the men who are employed on this duty, at a very isolated spot, has been most praiseworthy; their duties mainly consists of patrolling and watching certain roads, and these they perform unremittingly, with an inadequate force, through days and nights, in which the thermometer has ranged down to 35° below zero, and but for a few hours, is occasionally higher during the day. I respectfully request, in connection with this subject, to draw the attention of the Major General to the unwearied zeal and tact shown by Ensign Street, who is in command of the party, in carrying out his duties, and in his intercourse with the civil authorities.

As my special Reports relative to the formation of new local corps, previously spoken of, and other matters connected with the Military affairs of the District are already before you, it is needless that I should further allude to them.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

W. OSBORNE SMITH, Lt.-Colonel,

D. A. G., Military District No. 10,

Commanding Dominion Forces on Service in North-West.

To the Adjutant-General
of Militia, Ottawa.

[A.]

FORT OSBORNE, WINNIPEG,
October 28th, 1876.

SIR,—I have the honour to state that, with your approval, I carried out the annual practice of the the detachment under my command on the 17th October, 1876, the guns used being the nine-pounder muzzle-loading rifle. The range selected was in every respect a suitable one, situated some five miles from Winnipeg, and the number of rounds fired as follows, viz. :—Ten rounds common shell, percussion fuze ; ten rounds common shell, time fuze ; ten rounds Shrapnel shell, time fuze. Range, 1,400 yards.

This is the first time the Artillery on service here have had their annual practice, which was conducted in accordance with the rules of the Dominion Artillery Association, which rules I consider particularly good, and well calculated to impart professional knowledge and practical experience of the use and effect of artillery fire to all non-commissioned officers and gunners. Complying with the above mentioned rules, I carefully selected the best drilled and instructed non-commissioned officers and gunners to form a full gun detachment, which number I consider a fair proportion, taking into consideration the total strength, and I am pleased to be able to report that from the excellent practice made it was evident that my selection had been a successful one. The remaining men who were not among the number selected to fire, attended the practice, and were also carefully instructed in the use and application of artillery projectiles and stores, and had the advantage of seeing the effect of the different projectiles fired.

It is impossible to over-rate the benefit derived by all the non-commissioned officers and men from the annual practice with the guns with which they are armed.

I might also here mention that at the wish of the non-commissioned officers and men of my detachment, I affiliated with the Dominion Artillery Association, and at this practice competed for the prizes offered by that Association. The fact of having some small prizes to compete for produces a beneficial result, and is the means of obtaining from all concerned greater care and attention while at practice than would otherwise be shown. I attach herewith a return (B), showing the number of points obtained by each non-commissioned officer and gunner.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

JOHN COTTON, Lieut. and Brevet Captain,
Commanding Detachment of Artillery on Service
in Manitoba.

To Lieut.-Colonel W. OSBORNE SMITH, C.M.G., D.A.G.
Commanding Dominion Forces in the North-West.

(B.)

SCORE made by the Detachment of Artillery on service in Manitoba with 9-pr. M.L.R. guns, 8 cwt., at annual practice, October 17th, 1876, each man firing three rounds, viz., two common shell, one with time fuze and one with percussion fuze, one shrapnel shell with time fuze. Scoring, &c., in accordance with the Dominion Artillery Association Rules. Range 1,400 yards.

No. in order of merit.	Rank and Names.	Total.	Average Score.	Average Time.	Remarks.
1	Sergt.-Major A. H. Peck.....	27	19	4 min. 6 secs.	Strong north-east wind blowing across the range. First round with each projectile fired by the Officer commanding the Detachment.
2	Bombardier P. Murphy.....	25			
3	Gunner J. Patmore.....	25			
4	Sergeant F. McLeod.....	19			
5	Gunner H. Harris.....	19			
6	Corporal L. Geldert.....	18			
7	Gunner J. Robertson.....	15			
8	do D. Armstrong.....	13			
9	do H. Nimmo.....	10			
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JOHN COTTON, Lieut. and Brevet Captain,
Commanding Detachment of Artillery on service in Manitoba.

APPENDIX

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 1. Lieut.-Col. J. B. TAYLOR, D.A.G.M.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.		
		Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.					
1st Regiment Cavalry	Lieut.-Col. Cole, St. Thomas.....								Drill performed at Troop Head Quarters.	17 Marched.
No. 1 Troop	Capt. Barnes, St. Thomas.....	3	55	2	28	London.....	Oct. 14.	8		
No. 2 do	Capt. Peters, London.....	3	55	2	33	do	do 14.	8		
No. 3 do	Capt. Stewart, Mooretown.....	3	55	2	33	Mooretown..	do 6.	8		
No. 4 do	Capt. Murray, Kingsville.....	3	55	2	35	Kingsville....	Sept. 28.	8		
Field Battery Artillery, London	1 Major Peters, London.....	6	75	5	74	London	Oct. 27.	12	Battery Head Quarters.	
Field Battery Artillery, Wellington	1 Major McDonald, Guelph.....	6	75	5	74	Guelph.....	Sept. 28.	12	do	
7th Battalion	1 Capt. O'Brien, London.....	3	55	1	42	London.	Nov 29.	8	Compy Hd. Qrs.	
25th Battalion	Lieut.-Col. O'Malley.....									
No. 2 Company	Capt. Watts, Vienna.....	3	55	2	37	Vienna	Aug. 3.	8		
No. 3 do	Capt. Weisbrod, Aylmer.....	3	55	2	34	Aylmer	Sept. 15.	8	do	
No. 4 do	Capt. Backus, Wallacetown.....	3	55	2	37	Wellington..	Oct. 20.	8		
No. 5 do	Capt. Edgecombe, Port Stanley...	3	55	2	37	Port Stanley	July 11.	8		

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performed the Annual Drill for 1876-77.

Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
								Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.			
								Figure of Merit.				
								Battalion.	Company.			
24 hours.		Good.	None.	Very promising Band.	Satisfactory.	Troop movements and sword exercises.	Yes.			Oct. 14.	Oct. 14.	
		Good.	None.							do 14.	do 14.	
		Good.	None.							do 6.	do 6.	
		Good.	None.							Sept. 28.	
12 hours.		Good.	None.		do	Field movements inspected by the Major General commanding.	do			Oct. 27.	Oct. 29.	
do		Good.	None.		do	Field movements.	do			Sept. 28.	Sept. 30.	
		Good.	None.		do		do			Nov. 29.	Nov. 30.	
24 hours.		Good.	None.	Good Band.	do	Company and squad drill.	do			Aug. 3.	Aug. 3.	
		Good.	None.							Sept. 15.	Sept. 15.	
		Good.	None.							Oct. 20.	Oct. 20.	
		Good.	None.							July 11.	July 12.	

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 1.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies.	Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.			
			Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.					
28th Battalion		Lieut.-Col. Smith Stratford									
No. 1 Company		Capt. Lang, Stratford	3	55	2	40	Stratford	Oct. 24.	8	Drill performed at Company Headquarters.	
No. 2 do		Capt. Dodd, Stratford	3	55	2	42	do	do 24.	8		
No. 3 do		Capt. McKnight, St. Marys	3	55	2	40	St. Marys	Sept. 2.	8		
No. 4 do		Capt. White, St. Marys	3	55	2	42	do	Nov. 30.	8		
No. 5 do		Capt. Paisey, Blanshard	3	55	2	38	Kirkton	do 30.	8		
No. 6 do		Capt. Gourlay, Fullarton	3	55	2	38	Fullarton	do 23.	8		
29th Battalion		Lieut.-Col. Peck, Galt									
No. 2 Company		Capt. Parker, Galt	3	55	2	42	Galt	Oct. 27.	8	do	
No. 3 do		Lieut. Wilford, Crosshill	3	55	2	40	Cross Hill	Nov. 23.	8		
No. 4 do		Capt. Sharpe, Galt	3	55	2	42	Galt	do 23.	8		
No. 5 do		Capt. Phinn, Hespeler	3	55	1	42	Hespeler	do 11.	8		
No. 6 do		Capt. Zeigler, Berlin	3	55	2	37	Berlin	do 10.	8		

performed the Annual Drill for 1876-77.—Continued.

Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
								Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.			
								Figure of Merit.				
								Battalion.	Company.			
36 hours.		Good.	None.	Very good Band.	Satisfactory.	Squad drill, company drill and skirmishing.	Yes.			Oct. 24.	Oct. 24.	
										do 24.	do 24.	
										Sept. 2.	Sept. 2.	
										Nov. 30.	Nov. 30.	
										do 30.	do 30.	
										do 24.	
24 hours.		Good.	None.	do	do	do	do			Oct. 27.	Oct. 28.	
										Nov. 23.	Nov. 24.	
										do 23.	do 24.	
										do 11.	do 11.	
										do 10.	do 11.	

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 1.—Continued.		Establishment.	Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Place.	Date.			
								30th Battalion	Lieut. Col. Clarke, Guelph	
No. 1 Company	Capt. Smith, Douglas	3	55	2	35	Douglas	July 8.	8	At Company Head Quarters.	
No. 2 do	Capt. Cleghorn, Guelph	3	55	2	40	Guelph	Sept. 5.	8		
No. 3 do	Capt. Beattie, Fergus	3	55	2	40	Fergus	Oct. 27.	8		
No. 4 do	Major McBride, Elora	3	55	2	42	Elora	July 11.	8		
No. 5 do	Capt. Winfield, Mount Forest	3	55	2	40	Mt. Forest	do 10.	8		
No. 6 do	Capt. Scott, Eramosa	3	55	2	39	Eramosa	Sept. 29.	8		
No. 7 do	Capt. McCullough, Erin	3	55	2	21	Erin	Oct. 12.	8		
No. 8 do	Capt. Spence, Whittington	3	55	2	42	Whittington	Aug. 4.	8		
No. 9 do	Capt. Thomson, Hollen	3	55	2	36	Hollen	July 7.	8		
No. 10 do	Capt. White, Arthur	3	55	1	35	Arthur	do 11.	8		
32nd Battalion	Lieut. Col. Sproat, Walkerton									
No. 1 Comp'ny	Capt. Biggar, Southampton	3	55	2	40	South'mpt'n	Sept. 29.	8	do	
No. 2 do	Capt. Barker, Kincardine	3	55	2	35	Kincardine	Oct. 5.	8		
No. 3 do	Capt. Copeland, Lucknow	3	55	2	39	Lucknow	do 19.	8		
No. 4 do	Capt. Mitchell, Paisley	3	55	2	36	Paisley	Sept. 20.	8		
No. 5 do	Capt. Hunter, Walkerton	3	55	2	38	Walkerton	Oct. 5.	8		
No. 6 do	Capt. Morton, Arran	3	55	2	42	Arran	Sept. 29.	8		
No. 7 do	Capt. Kay, Belmore	3	55	2	37	Belmore	do 21.	8		
No. 8 do	Capt. Gillies, Teeswater	3	55	2	29	Teeswater	Oct. 5.	8		

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General Conduct of Corps. If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Figure of Merit.			
Ranges.	Battalion.	Company.									
48 hours.		Good. None.	Very good Band.	Satisfactory.	Squad drill, company drill and skirmishing.	Yes.					
									July 8.		
									Sept. 5.	Sept. 6.	
									Oct. 27.	Oct. 27.	
									July 11.	July 11.	
									do 11.		
									Sept. 29.	Sept. 29.	
									Oct. 12.	Oct. 12.	
									Aug. 4.		
									July 7.	July 8.	
									do 11.		
36 hours.		Good. None.	Good Band.	do	do	do					
									Sept. 29.	Sept. 29.	
									Oct. 5.	Oct. 6.	
									do 20.		
									Sept. 20.	Sept. 21.	
									Oct. 5.	Oct. 6.	
									Sept. 29.	Sept. 29.	
									do 21.	do 22.	
									Oct. 5.	Oct. 6.	

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 2.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.	
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Officers.	N.-O. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.		Miles.	Mode.
									Garrison Battery		
do	Bt.-Major Hogg, Collingwood	3	55								
do	Lieut. See, St. Catherines	3	55	1	42						
	Total	9	165	1	42						
Engineers	1 Capt. and Lieut.-Col. Scoble, Toronto	4	70	3	59	Toronto	Sept. 2.	8	Not under canvas.	Nil.	Nil.
	Staff	1									
	Total	5	70	3	59						
2nd Batt. Q.O. Rifles	Lieut.-Col. Otter, Toronto					Toronto	Sept. 25.	8			
No. 1 Company	Capt. Allan, Toronto	3	55	2	32	do	do	8			
No. 2 do	Capt. Buchan, Toronto	3	55	2	31	do	do	8			
No. 3 do	Capt. Roaf, Toronto	3	55	1	30	do	do	8			
No. 4 do	Bt.-Major Miller, Toronto	3	55	2	37	do	do	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. Foster, Toronto	3	55	2	31	do	do	8	do	Nil.	Nil.
No. 6 do	Capt. Hamilton, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 7 do	Capt. Bethune, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 8 do	Capt. Nash, Toronto	3	55	2	34	do	do	8			
No. 9 do	Lieut. Langton, Toronto	3	55	2	32	do	do	8			
No. 10 do	Capt. Vandersmissen, Toronto	3	55	2	31	do	do	8			
	Staff	8		6		do	do	8			
	Total	38	550	25	318						

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Figure of Merit.			
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	None reported.	Good.	Firing exercises, company drill, & building bridges.	do	2, 4 & 500 yds.	26:08	Nov. 4.	Nov. 4.	
do	Nil.	do	Yes; 14 performers—good.	Good.	do	Reported enrolled.			Nov. 14.	Nov. 14.	Not required to perform annual drill 1876-77. Inspected by Lt.-Col. Irwin, Inspector of Artillery.
do	do	do	Yes; 35 performers—very good.	Very fair.	Company and battalion movements.	do	200, 400 and 500 yards.	24:98 29:76	Nov. 2.	Nov. 10.	This Co. lately organized. Fine body of men, in a very efficient state. Best shot in the Company, Sapper A. Bell, 57 points.
								23:38	do 2.	do 10.	Fine body of young men; very steady under arms; in very good order.
								29:96	do 2.	do 10.	Best shot in the Batt., Corporal Brady, No. 1 Co., 60 points.
								28:62	do 2.	do 10.	Best shooting Co., No. 7 Co., 36:41 points.
								16:74	do 2.	do 10.	
								18:66	do 2.	do 10.	
								36:41	do 2.	do 10.	
								24:22	do 2.	do 10.	
								20:75	do 2.	do 10.	
								21:37	do 2.	do 10.	

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 2.—Continued.			Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had, to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies.	Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
			Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.						
10th Royals		Lt.-Col. Stollery, Toronto					Toronto	July 8	8	Not under canvas.	Nil.	Nil.
No. 1 Battery		Capt. Anderson, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 2 do		Capt. Weston, Toronto	3	55	1	30	do	do	8			
No. 3 do		Capt. Rolph, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 4 do		Lieut. De La Hooke, Toronto	3	55	1	30	do	do	8			
No. 5 do		Capt. Flemming, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 6 do		Capt. Canavan, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 7 do		Capt. J. T. Thompson, Toronto	3	55	1	30	do	do	8			
No. 8 do		Capt. Patterson, Toronto	3	55	2	30	do	do	8			
No. 9 do		Lieut. Hill, Toronto	3	55	1	30	do	do	8			
No. 10 do		Capt. F. Thompson, Toronto	3	55	2	29	do	do	8			
		Staff	8		6		do	do	8			
		Total	38	550	22	299						
12th Battalion		Lieut.-Col. Norris, Aurora					Head Quarters of Companies.	June 26	8	Not under canvas.	Nil.	Nil.
No. 1 Company		Capt. Lea, Scarborough	3	55	2	34						
No. 2 do		Capt. Strange, Aurora	3	55	2	25						
No. 3 do		Capt. Braze, King	3	55	2	25						
No. 4 do		Capt. Lloyd, Newmarket	3	55	2	25						
No. 5 do		Capt. Stevenson, Sutton	3	55	1	28						
No. 6 do		Lieut. Tomlinson, Markham	3	55	1	40						
No. 7 do		Capt. Wayling, Sharon	3	55	2	25						
No. 8 do		Capt. Eckardt, Unionville	3	55	2	20						
		Staff	8		4							
		Total	32	440	18	222						

performed the Annual Drill for 1876-77.—Continued.

Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.	
								Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.				
								Figure of Merit.					
								Battalion.	Company.				
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	None reported.	Yes; 30 performers—very good.	Very fair.	Company and battalion movements.	Reported enrolled.			15-65	Aug. 31.	Aug. 31.	This Regiment is very much improved; consists of a fine body of men; moved very well.
										do 31.	do 31.		
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										do 31.	do 31.		
										do 31.	do 31.		
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										do 31.	do 31.		
										do 31.	do 31.		
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	None reported.	Yes; 20 performers—very good. As reported.	Very fair state and condition.	Company drill and skirmishing.	Reported enrolled.	Six Co's at 200 & 400, and two at 400 & 500 yds.	12-95	9-47	July 1.	July 1.	Inspected by the Commanding Officer and Field Officers of the Regiment. Reported favorably. Best shot in the Battalion, Sergt. Redford, No. 1 Co.—41 points. Best shooting Company, No. 6 Co.—17-26 points.
									10-40	do	do 1.	do 1.	
									15-44	do	do 1.	do 1.	
									14-62	do	do 1.	do 1.	
									10-32	do	do 1.	do 1.	
									17-26	Nov. 19.	Nov. 19.		
									12-16	July 1.	July 1.		
									14-00	do 1.	do 1.		

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 2.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place,	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
		Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.						
13th Battalion	Lieut.-Col. Skinner, Hamilton.										
No. 1 Company	Capt. & Lieut.-Col. Gibson, Hamilton	3	55	2	35	Hamilton.	Oct. 10.	8	Not under canvas.	Nil.	Nil.
No. 2 do	Lieut. Bernard, Hamilton	3	55	2	34		do 10.	8			
No. 3 do	Capt. Armstrong, Hamilton	3	55	2	24		do 10.	8			
No. 4 do	Capt. McLaren, Hamilton	3	55	2	38		do 10.	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. Caddy, Hamilton	3	55	2	33		do 10.	8			
No. 6 do	Bt.-Major Moore, Hamilton	3	55	2	38		do 10.	8			
	Staff	8		4							
	Total	26	330	16	202						
19th Battalion	Lieut.-Col. Currie, St. Catharines					Head Quarters of Companies.			do	Nil.	Nil.
No. 1 Company	Bt.-Major Thompson, Niagara	3	55	2	45		Oct. 9.	8			
No. 2 do	Ensign Day, St. Catharines	3	55	1	42		do 9.	8			
No. 3 do	Capt. Carlisle, St. Catharines	3	55	2	38		do 9.	8			
No. 4 do	Bt.-Major Walker, Beamsville	3	55	2	42		do 9.	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. Brennan, St. Catharines	3	55	1	42		do 9.	8			
No. 6 do	Capt. Hiscott, Virgil	3	55	2	42		do 9.	8			
	Staff	7									
	Total	25	330	10	251						

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Time Required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General Conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.		Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any Ranges.	Figure of Merit.	Battalion.	Company.			
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	None reported.	Yes; 33 performers—very good.	Very fair state and condition.	Firing exercises and battalion movements.	Reported enrolled.			Nov. 30.	Nov. 30.	Was inspected in the Battalion Drill Shed. Regiment mustered well. Very steady and soldierlike.	
do	do	do	do	Yes; 18 performers—good. As reported.	do	Inspected by the Major-General Commanding.	do			Oct. 13.	Oct. 13.	Inspected by the Major-General Commanding.	
										do 30.	do 30.		
										do 30.	do 30.		
										do 30.	do 30.		
										do 30.	do 30.		

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.	Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
No. 2.—Continued.		Corps.		Corps.									
Battalion or Corps.	Companies.	Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.							
34th Battalion		Lt.-Col. Wallace, Whitby											
No. 1 Company		Capt. Fothergill, Whitby	3	55									
No. 2 do		Capt. Smith, Oshawa	3	55									
No. 3 do		Capt. Farewell, Oshawa	3	55									
No. 4 do		Capt. Patterson, Beaverton	3	55									
No. 5 do		Capt. & Lt.-Col. McMillan, Port Perry	3	55									
No. 6 do		Capt. White, Brooklin	3	55									
No. 7 do		Capt. Lumsden, Cannington	3	55									
		Staff	7										
		Total	28	385									
35th Battalion		Lt.-Col. McKenzie, Barrie											
No. 1 Company		Lieut. Rawson, Barrie	3	55	1	31			Sept. 11.	8			
No. 2 do		Capt. Hamilton, Collingwood	3	55	2	38			July 31.	8			
No. 3 do		Capt. Cook, Cookstown	3	55	2	42			Oct. 18.	8			
No. 4 do		Capt. Ward, Vespra	3	55	1	40			Sept. 11.	8			
No. 5 do		Capt. McKenzie, Barrie	3	55	2	42			do 11.	8			
No. 6 do		Capt. Clark, Oro	3	55	1	41			Nov. 8.	8			
No. 7 do		Capt. Burnett, Orillia	3	55	2	30			July 11.	8			
No. 8 do		Lt. Sutherland, Bond Head	3	55	1	42			Sept. 25.	8			
No. 9 do		Capt. McLaren, Rosemont	3	55	2	41			Oct. 25.	8			
No. 10 do		Lieut. Anderson, Wyebridge	3	55	1	36			July 3.	8			
		Staff	8		8								
		Total	38	550	23	383							

At Head Quarters of Companies.

Not under canvas.

Nil.

Nil.

24 hours.

Nil.

Good.

None reported.

Yes; 16 performers—good, as reported.

Arms and accoutrements in fair condition; require a new issue of clothing.

Company and battalion drill.

Reported enrolled.

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps. If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were bona fide enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
								Battalion.	Company.			
			Yes; 16 performers—very good, as reported.									Not required to perform Annual Drill, 1876-77.
			Yes; 16 performers—good, as reported.									Five Companies inspected by Lt.-Col. Denison, Brigade Major—remainder by Commanding Officer and Field Officer of the Regiment. Report favorable.

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 2.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.	Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, Mode.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.						
		Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.								
38th Battalion	Lieut.-Col. Dickie Brantford												
No. 1 Company	Capt. Cox, Paris.	3	55	2	30				Oct. 31.	8			
No. 2 do	Capt. Kerr, Brantford	3	55	2	30				do 23.	8			
No. 3 do	Capt. Wilkes, Brantford	3	55	1	29				do 23.	8			
No. 4 do	Capt. Bellachey, Brantford	3	55	2	30				do 23.	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. Wetmore, Burford	3	55	2	30				do 19.	8			
No. 6 do	Drumbo	3	55	2	30				do 17.	8			
	Staff	7		2									
	Total	25	330	13	179								
At Head Quarters of Company.													
39th Battalion	3 Lieut.-Col. Mabee Simcoe												
No. 1 Company	Capt. Coombs, Simcoe	3	55										
No. 2 do	Capt. Thompson, Villa Nova	3	55										
No. 3 do	Capt. Ryan, Port Rowan	3	55										
No. 4 do	Capt. Morgan, Walshingham	3	55										
No. 5 do	Capt. Yerks, Waterford	3	55										
No. 6 do	Capt. Matheson, Simcoe	3	55										
No. 7 do	Capt. Green, Windham Centre	3	55										
No. 8 do	Capt. Crvslar, Fredricksburgh	3	55										
	Staff	8											
	Total	32	440										

performed the Annual Drill for 1876-77.—Continued.

Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps. If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were bona fide enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.			
							Figure of Merit.				
							Battalion.	Company.			
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	Yes; 21 performers—good, as reported.	do	Company and battalion movements.	o			Nov. 3.	Nov. 3.	
		None reported.							Oct. 30.	Oct. 30.	Inspected Nos. 2, 3 and 4 Companies at Brantford; mustered well; very steady; moved well; much improved.
									do 30.	do 30.	
									do 30.	do 30.	
								22-09	Sept. 22.	Sept. 22.	
									Oct. 20.	Oct. 20.	
			Yes; 18 performers—very good, as reported.								Not required to perform Annual Drill, 1876-77.

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT No. 2.—Continued.			Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Mustering.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles, Mode.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies.	Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
			Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N.-C. O. and Men.						
44th Battalion		Lt.-Col. Barnett, Clifton										
No. 1 Company		Capt. Bender, Drummondville	3	55								
No. 2 do		Capt. James, Thorold	3	55	2	42		Nov. 16.	8			
No. 3 do		Capt. M. J. Beam, Chippawa	3	55	2	42		do 16.	8			
No. 4 do		Cpt. Newbigging, Fort Erie	3	55	1	42		do 20.	8			
No. 5 do		Capt. Hamilton, Welland	3	55								
No. 6 do		Capt. Tattersall, Clifton	3	55								
No. 7 do		Capt. J. G. Beam, Stevensville	3	55	2	42		Nov. 20.	8			
No. 8 do		Capt. Haney, Fenwick	3	55	2	42		do 20.	8			
		Staff	7									
		Total	31	440	9	210						
77th Battalion		Lt.-Col. Brown, Dundas										
No. 1 Company		Capt. Ogg, Dundas	3	55	2	33		Sept. 11.	8			
No. 2 do		Capt. McMonies, Waterdown	3	55	2	28		Nov. 9.	8			
No. 3 do		Capt. Hoey, Binbrook	3	55	2	36		Oct. 9.	8			
No. 4 do		Capt. Bertram, Rockton	3	55	2	25		Nov. 14.	8			
No. 5 do		Capt. Carpenter, Saltfleet	3	55	2	42		Sept. 11.	8			
No. 6 do		Lient. Walker, Glanford	3	55	2	39		do 11.	8			
		Staff	7									
		Total	25	330	12	203						
Independent Rifle Company, Sault Ste. Marie	1	Capt. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie	3	55								
		Total, Military District No. 2.	530	7,335	215	3,290						

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bonâ fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
								Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.			
		Figure of Merit.										
		Battalion.	Company.									
24 hours.	Nil.	Good.	None reported.	Yes; 22 performers—good, as reported.	Very fair.	Company drill.	Reported enrolled.			Nov. 24.	Nov. 24.	
										do 23.	do 23.	Nos. 1, 5 and 6 Companies have not performed Annual Drill. Remainder inspected by Lieut.-Col. Villiers, Bde.-Major. Report favorable.
										do 23.	do 23.	
										Nov. 23.	Nov. 23.	
										do 24.	do 24.	
do	Nil.	Good.	do	Yes; 24 performers—very good, as reported.	do	do	do			Sept. 14.	Sept. 14.	
										Nov. 13.	Nov. 13.	Inspected by Lieut.-Col. Brown, commanding the Regiment. Report favorable.
										Oct. 12.	Oct. 12.	
										Nov. 17.	Nov. 17.	
										Sept. 13.	Sept. 14.	
										do 14.	do 14.	
												Annual Drill not performed.

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 3 Lieut.-Col. B. VAN STRAUBENZIE, D.A.G.M.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Master.		Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.			
		Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.					
48th Battalion, Lennox and Addington	Lieut. - Col. S. Fairfield, Odessa									
No. 1 Company	Lieut. Cox, Jamesworth	2	42	1	42	Jamesworth	July 28.	8	No billets.	Nil.
No. 2 do	Capt. R. McLean, Clark's Mills	2	42	1	36	Clark's Mills	do 1.	8		
No. 3 do	Capt. J.F. Booth, Odessa	2	42	1	38	Odessa	do 8.	8		
No. 4 do	Capt. J. Murray, Amherst Island	2	42	1	38	Amherst Island	Sept. 20.	8		
No. 5 do	Capt. A. Amey, Enterprise	2	42	1	34	Enterprise	July 7.	8		
No. 6 do	Capt. J. Amey, Odessa	2	42	1	42	Odessa	do 8.	8		
	Staff	8		2						
	Total	20	252	8	230					
49th Battalion	Lieut.-Col. Brown M.P., Belleville								In billets.. Nil.	Nil.
No. 1 Company	Capt. Harrison, Belleville	2	42	2	40	Belleville	Oct. 10.	8		
No. 2 do	Capt. Fidian, Sterling	2	42							
No. 3 do	Major Vandervort, Sydney	2	42	2	40	Sydney	Oct. 19.	8		
No. 4 do	Capt. Hungerford, Madoc	2	42							
No. 5 do	Capt. Lennox, Melrose	2	42	2	42	Melrose	Oct. 22.	8		
	Staff	8		3						
	Total	18	210	7	122					

performed the Annual Drill for 1876-77.—Continued.

Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General Conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.		
								Number of Men, if any.	Number of Non-exercised Ranges.					
								Battalion.	Company.					
6 hours.		Good.	None.	Yes; 16 musicians—fair.	Clothing fair; arms and accoutrements fair.	Nos. 1, 2.—Co'y. drill, manual and firing exercise, fair. Nos. 3, 6.—Company drill, manual and firing exercise and skirmishing—fair. No. 4.—Co'y. drill, manual and firing exercise, indifferent. No. 5.—Company drill, fair only.	Stated to be so.	None.	None.	17-39	21-42	July 15.	July 15.	This Battalion was inspected throughout by the Deputy Adjutant General.
								None.	None.	200, 400 and 500 yards.	12-90	do 14.	do 14.	
								1	None.	200, 400 and 500 yards.	22-78	do 15.	do 15.	
								21-00	Sept. 21.	Sept. 21.	5-04	July 13.	July 13.	
								20-42	do 15.	15.				
do	6 hours.	Good.	None.	20 musicians—good.	Clothing, hardly any; arms and accoutrements, fair.	No. 1. Co'y. drill, good; manual and firing exercise very good. No. 3.—Company drill, bad; manual and firing exercise, bad; skirmishing, indifferent. No. 5.—Company drill, fair; manual and firing exercise, bad; skirmishing, indifferent.	do	42		31-23	Nov. 28.			Have not been drilled. Inspected by the Brigade Major. Have not been drilled.
								18-00	do 29.	Nov. 1.				

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 3.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.	Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
									57th Battalion...	Lieut. - Col. E. Poole, Peterboro'	
No. 1 Company ...	Capt. W. Johnston, Peterboro'	2	42	2	38	Peterboro'	July 20.	8	At Company Head Quarters.		
No. 2 do ...	Capt. J. Kennedy Peterboro'	2	42	2	41	do	Sept. 4.	8			
No. 3 do ...	Capt. J. Burnham Peterboro'	2	42	2	31	do	do	8			
No. 4 do ...	Capt. W. Green, Ashburnham	2	42	2	42	Ashburnham	do	8			
No. 5 do ...	Capt. T. Grover, Norwood	2	42	2	34	Norwood	do	8			
No. 6 do ...	Capt. J. Howard, Hastings	2	42	1	42	Hastings	Aug. 20.	8			
	Staff	8		2							
	Total	20	252	13	228						
45th Battalion, West Durham...	Lieut.-Col. F. Cubitt, Bowmanville								In City..		
No. 1 Company ...	Capt. W. Scott, Bowmanville	2	42	2	32	Bowmanville	July 1.	8			
No. 2 do ...	Capt. J. Kennedy Fenelon Falls	2	42	2	41	Fenelon Falls	do	8			
No. 3 do ...	Capt. J. Hughes, Burtonville	2	42	2	42	Cartwright	do	8			
No. 5 do ...	Capt. W. Cottingham, Omemee	2	42	2	39	Omemee	do	8			
No. 6 do ...	Capt. J. Thurkell, Lindsay	2	42	2	42	Lindsay	do	8			
No. 7 do ...	Lieut. Stanton, Kendall	2	42	2	29	Kendall	do	8			
	Staff	8		2							
	Total	20	252	14	225						

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Ranges.			
36 hours at Peterboro'.		Good.	Brass; 21 performers; cost \$600.	Clothing, arms and accoutrements not in good order.	The drill of all this Battalion was in differently performed.	Stated to be so.	6	9-04	Sept. 24.	Sept. 21.	Inspected by the Deputy Adjutant General.
							5	18-36	do 23.	do 13.	
							2	11-29	do 13.	do 12.	
							1	14-40	do 14.	do 14.	
							All.	Fig. notes tabl'd.	do 14.	do 14.	
							do	13-04	do 15.	Aug. 31.	
6 hours.		Good.	Yes; 15 musicians. Cost of instruments, \$600.	Fair	No. 1.—Company drill and skirmishing, fair. No. 2.—Company drill, &c., indifferent. Nos. 3, 5.—Company drill, manual and firing exercise and skirmishing, fair.—No. 6, very good. No. 7. Co. drill and M. & F. Ex., fair; Skir., good.	do	None.				Inspected by D. A.G. Not exercised.
1 hour		None.		Fair			200, 400 and 500 yards.	8-00	July 27.	July 27.	
				Fair				do	do 8.	do 8.	
				Fair				2-17	do 10.	do 10.	
				Fair			200, 400 and 500 yards.	13-70	11-94	do 7.	do 7.

INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 3.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
		Officers.	N - C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N - C. O. and Men.						
46th Battalion, East Durham	Lieut.-Col. A. Williams, Port Hope										
No. 2 do	Capt. Dingwall, Port Hope	2	42	2	35	Port Hope	July 12.	8	Company Head Quarters.	Nil.	
No. 3 do	Major F. Benson, Port Hope	2	42	2	42	do	do 12.	8			
No. 4 do	Capt. J. Hunter, Millbrook	2	42	2	36	Millbrook	do 12.	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. J. Dundas, Springville	2	42	2	*42	Springville	do 12.	8			
No. 6 do	Capt. J. Preston, Lifford	2	42	2	42	Lifford	do 15.	8			
No. 7 do	Brevet Major J. McDermott, Janetville	2	42	2	41	Janetville	do 14.	8			
	Staff	8		2							
	Total	20	252	14	238						
47th Battalion, Frontenac	Lieut.-Col. G. Kirkpatrick, Kingston										
No. 1 Company	Capt. R. Hewton, Battersea	2	42	2	40	Battersea	Sept. 10.	8	do	Nil.	
No. 2 do	Capt. W. Hunter, Inverary	2	42	2	41	Inverary	June 28.	8			
No. 3 do	Capt. W. Spooner, Eglinburg	2	42	2	42	Eglinburg	do 30.	8			
No. 4 do	Capt. T. Kelly, Portsmouth	2	42	2	42	Portsmouth	July 6.	8			
No. 5 do	Capt. J. Byrne, Barriefield	2	42	2	42	Barriefield	do 6.	8			
No. 6 do	Capt. J. Radford, Wolfe Island	2	42	2	33	Wolfe Island	Oct. 20.	8			
No. 7 do	Capt. A. Carscalen, Harrow-smith	2	42	2	42	Harr'wsmith	Sept. 4.	8			
	Staff	8		2							
	Total	22	294	16	282						

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps.	If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bond fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.
									Battalion.	Company.			
1 hour.		Good.	None.										
6 hours.		Good.	None.	1									
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INSPECTION REPORT OF CORPS which have

MILITARY DISTRICT. No. 3.—Continued.		Establishment.		Actual Strength present at Inspection.		Muster.			Whether in Camp or otherwise.	Miles.	Distance the several Corps had to proceed to Muster, and mode of transport.
Battalion or Corps.	Companies. Commanding Officer and Head Quarters.	Corps.		Corps.		Place.	Date.	Number of days' drill performed.			
		Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.	Officers.	N. - C. O. and Men.						
3rd Prov. Regiment of Cavalry	Lt.-Col. D'Arcy Boulton, Cobourg										
No. 1 Troop	Capt. Regan, Cobourg	2	42								
No. 2 do	Lt.-Col. Smart, Port Hope	2	42	2	29	Peterboro'	Sept. 18.	8	In billets.	21	Marched.
No. 3 do	Bt. Major Rogers, Peterboro	2	42	2	32	do	do 18.	8			At Troop Headquarters.
	Staff	7		2							
4th Prov. Regiment of Cavalry	Lt.-Col. John Duff, Kingston										
No. 1 Troop	Capt. Knight, Kingston	2	42	2	32	Kingston	July 1.	8	do		Marched.
No. 2 do	Capt. Perry, Napanee	2	42								
No. 3 do	Lt.-Col. Wood, Loughboro	2	42	2	32	Loughboro'	do 1.	8			
No. 4 do	Major White, Picton	2	42	2	33	Picton	do 2.	8			
	Staff	7		2							

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Time required to concentrate the Battalion or Corps.	Cost of rations per head, per diem, at encampment.	General conduct of Corps If any, and what casualties.	Whether in possession of Band. Number of Musicians, and proficiency.	General State of Clothing, Arms and Accoutrements.	Nature of Movements at Inspection, and how performed.	Whether the men of the several Corps were <i>bona fide</i> enrolled members thereof, according to the Militia Act.	Target Practice.		Date of Inspection.	Date when drill was completed.	REMARKS.			
							Number of Non-exercised Men, if any.	Figure of Merit.						
Ranges.	Battalion.	Company.												
2 days at Cobourg.	35 cents.	Good.	None.	Yes; 16 performers, mounted.	Very good—the arms and accoutrements.	Marched past at trot, walk and gallop; several manoeuvres well performed; sword exercise under Lt.-Col. D'Arcy Boulton well performed.	Stated to be so.	All No. 1 Troop did not exercise.	200, 300 and 400 yards.	17 60	Sept. 21.	Sept. 23.	Not called for drill. Inspected by the D. A. G. The equipment of No. 1 Troop is now complete.	
2 days at Kingston.		Good.	1 horse of Lt.-Col. Duff's killed.	No Band.	Clothing much worn. Arms and accoutrements good.	Some movements slowly performed fairly done; sword exercise fairly done. Marched past and some movements fairly done; could not do sword exercise.	do	No rifle practice.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	July 4.	July 4.	Did not exercise. Inspected by the D. A. G., &c.
											do 4.	do 4.		
											do 6.	do 6.		