

to be made effective by 12 days' annual drill in camp only.

For teaching practically the lessons learned by weekly drills in their drill room, I consider the time sufficient, or as nearly as can be obtained without a great increase of expense, but the returns of the shot and shell practice, forwarded with Col. Foster's report, and with which he has every reason to feel gratified, are the result of the patient weekly drilling of recruits at standing gun drill pointing drill, fuso and shell instructions, &c., equally with the twelve days in camp.

The men of the different batteries appear also to like the weekly drills, and they were usually fairly attended.

When it is considered that these drills are all voluntary (the 12 days having been performed), it appears to me a pity that obstacles should be thrown in the way of the men receiving instruction, which cannot fail of at least doing some good.

I hardly likely to bring again before you the desirability, in my opinion, of arming the Garrison Artillery with revolvers. With the utter state of defencelessness of the Garrison Artillery man, in case his position is attempted to be carried by storm, we are all aware.

Weather a battery would not be likely to fight the guns longer when the men had the consciousness of possessing a handy and reliable weapon about their persons admits, I think of no question, and it appears to me in view of the rapid increase of population in our cities, there might unfortunately come a day when the magistrates would gladly avail themselves of the services of a trained body of men armed with revolvers.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

DARELL R. JAGO.

Lieut. Col. G. J. Maunsell,  
Deputy Adjutant General.

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SAINT JOHN, N. B.,  
Dec. 17th 1874.

Sir,—On the 9th day of September last, in accordance with instructions from your office, I made inspection of the Field Battery of Artillery under the command of Captain Donnell, in camp at Woodstock, for its annual drill.

After I had made a careful inspection of the battery, it was put through a variety of field movements, all of which were executed in a style highly creditable to the officers, non commissioned officers, and men; and the progress made in such a short time, was far in advance of what I had expected to have seen.

I attended the ball practice on the afternoon of the 9th, and morning of the 10th, at a place about two miles above Woodstock, and had an opportunity of seeing some good exhibitions of standing gun drill. The ball practice, as the accompanying report will show, was good, but the locality would not admit of shell practice.

The battery is composed of an excellent class of young men, belonging to the town of Woodstock and its surroundings. At the inspection were Captain Donnell, Lieutenants Dibbles and Kearney, Surgeon Smith, 75 non commissioned officers and men, and 40 horses (of a superior quality), for which the County of Carleton is celebrated.

Several very handsome presents were given by friends of the battery, to be competed for at the target practice, one of which an elegant pitcher, was given by Mr. Appleby, M.P., for the County. At its presentation to the winner, Mr. Appleby expressed his intention of making a similar gift annually.

I would urgently recommend the appointment of a Quarter Master to each of the Field Batteries.

Respectfully submitted,

S. K. FOSTER, Lieut. Col.  
Com. N. B. B. G. A.

The Deputy Adjt General of Militia,  
Military District No 8,

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SAINT JOHN, N. B.,  
Dec. 17th 1874.

Sir,—I have the honor to report that in obedience to orders Batteries Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, and 10, of the New Brunswick Brigade of Garrison Artillery performed their annual drill on the Barrack Square in this city, for the current year.

During the whole period of existence, the objects for which the camps was formed were carried out in the most systematic manner, and, I believe, with highly satisfactory results.

The daily routine of duty, subject to such alterations as the changes of the weather might necessitate, was as follows:—

Morning from 6 to 8 A. M. Marching Drill.  
" " 10 to 12 " Gun Drill.  
Afternoon " 3 to 5 P. M. Gun Drill.

The shot and shell practice extended over a period of six days, and as the accompanying report will show, was highly creditable to the corps.

Several handsome prizes for the annual competition were presented, a list of which, with the names of the donors, is annexed.

From the commencement of the camp to its close, every officer, non commissioned officer, and gunner did his duty.

Respectfully submitted,

S. K. FOSTER, Lt. Col.  
Commanding N. B.,  
Brigade Gar. Artillery.

The Deputy Adjt. General,  
Military District No. 8.  
(To be Continued.)

## DOMINION OF CANADA.



### MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

#### HEAD QUARTERS.

OTTAWA, 30th April, 1875.

#### GENERAL ORDERS (8).

##### No. 1.

#### MILITIA STAFF.

The appointments are hereby notified, of Major General Edward Selby Smyth, of Her Majesty's Army, to command the Militia of the Dominion; and of

Lieutenant Colonel Walker Powell, Deputy Adjutant General, to be Adjutant General of Militia, at Head Quarters, with the rank of Colonel in the Militia, (the rank of Colonel to date from 22nd August, 1873,) the same having appeared in the *Canada Gazette* of the 24th instant.

#### No. 2.

#### ACTIVE MILITIA.

#### *Regulations for the Annual Drill of 1875-76. Drill and Target Practice.*

Referring to the detail of instruction recommended, in G. O. (7) 23rd April, 1875, to be practised during training, it will be understood that Commanding Officers are expected to use their discretion in taking opportunities for giving as much instruction in skirmishing and out post duties as they may find possible.

#### *Equipment, &c., to be in Armouries at inspection.*

Referring to No. 1 of General Orders (22) 14th August, 1874, District Staff Officers are not to sign the usual certificate for "care of arms," except in those cases where all the arms, accoutrements and stores of the Corps to be accounted for by the Commanding Officer, are actually present in the Armoury on the occasion of each inspection.

#### PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

#### *Provisional Regiments of Cavalry.*

The formation of two Provisional Regiments of Cavalry in Military District No. 3, is hereby authorized, to be designated respectively, 3rd and 4th Provisional Regiments of Cavalry.

#### *3rd Provisional Regiment of Cavalry.*

Composed as follows, with Head Quarters at Cobourg:—

No. 1 Troop (Cobourg) Northumberland and Durham Squadron, to be No. 1 Troop.  
No. 2 Troop (Port Hope) Northumberland and Durham Squadron, to be No. 2 Troop.  
Peterborough Troop, to be No. 3 Troop.

To be Major Commanding:

Brevet Lieut. Colonel D'Arcy Edward Boutton, C. C., from Northumberland and Durham Squadron.

#### *4th Provincial Regiment of Cavalry.*

Composed as follows, with Head Quarters at Kingston.

No. 1 Troop (Kingston) Frontenac Squadron, to be No. 1 Troop.  
Napanea Troop, to be No. 2 Troop.  
No. 2 Troop (Loughborough) Frontenac Squadron to be No. 3 Troop.  
Picton Troop, to be No. 4 Troop.

To be Major Commanding:

Major and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel John Duff, C. C., from Frontenac Squadron.

#### *38th "Brant" Battalion of "Dufferin Rifles."*

To be Major:

Ensign and Adjutant Edward Stewart Jones, V. B., vice Dickie, retired.