

ceiving this allowance are not to draw rations or forage for the day they join or for the day they leave camp.

#### MEDICAL REGULATIONS.

6. The medical arrangements for every battalion and corps will be carried out regimentally. A portable medicine chest, with the requisite supply of medicine, &c., will be furnished by Government to every battalion of infantry, field battery of artillery, and regiment of cavalry; on the breaking up of camp these medicine chests will be returned into the district military store.

A medical inspection of every officer, non-commissioned officer and man will be made, if possible, before the man leaves the corps or company head quarters; when that is not possible, then the medical examination must be made immediately after the concentration of the corps or battalion, and a full report of each man will be made in a written return to the Commanding Officer.

This inspection is with a view of ascertaining, 1st. Whether the man is labouring under disease of any kind at the time, such as rheumatic affections; diseases of lungs or heart; or any of the viscera of the abdomen; or under any form of syphilitic disease; or is short sighted; or has any disease or injuries of any of the joints; or badly shaped feet or overlapping toes which would prevent his marching; 2nd, of ascertaining if the man has any predisposition to any of the above diseases, or has recently suffered from any of them, or if he has any other disqualification which may tender him unfit for service, or predispose him to become inefficient from exposure.

Such men, if any be found, are not to be permitted to go to or remain in camp, as well for their own sakes, as to prevent claims for compensation being made upon the public on account of illness on the part of men who are not fit for service.

The Medical Officer of each corps or Battalion will make out a sick report every morning, and transmit a copy to the Commanding Officer of the battalion.

The Surgeon of each Battalion will keep an admission and discharge Book, of all cases taken into Hospital, according to Form B.

Every Surgeon will give a receipt for all articles of medical equipment which may be issued to him for the use of his Corps or Battalion, for the care and proper expenditure of which he will be responsible; and on being relieved from duty he will return all medical stores, articles of equipment and medicine remaining unexpended into the District Stores, with a list of the materials which have been expended by him, on complying with which his receipt will be returned to him.

Such wine or spirituous liquor, as may be prescribed for use in cases of illness must, if procured, be paid for by the person requiring the same. The attention of medical officers of corps is specially called to paragraphs 138, 140, and 141 of the Orders and Regulations of the Active Militia.

No expense to be incurred by medical officers on account of Government without previous authority for such being obtained.

In any cases of serious illness or accident, the medical officer shall, in conjunction with the commanding officer of the corps, make such immediate arrangements as may be necessary, sending the Patient, if possible, at once to his home or the nearest Hospital; he will make a minute report to head quarters of all circumstances connected with the case.

The nature and cause of all accidents or injuries which occur to either men or horses

while in camp, are to be fully investigated at the time by a board of officers, and a special report on each case sent to head quarters.

#### CITY CORPS.

7. In cases where local circumstances prevent city corps, excepting Field Batteries of Artillery, from going into Brigade camp with other corps in the same Brigade Division, such corps may be permitted to perform twelve days' drill at their local head quarters on different days as may be most convenient, subject to the approval of the Deputy Adjutant General of the District. In all such cases no allowances will be made for rations or forage, and the pay will be for officers, one dollar; and non-commissioned officers and men, fifty cents per diem.

#### ISOLATED CORPS.

8. In any Brigade Division where there is not more than one Battalion of Infantry, or where any Battalion is remote from the place appointed for the Brigade camp, the drill of such corps is to be in camp at battalion headquarters. The pay of officers and non-commissioned officers will be the same as fixed for brigade camps. Rations will not be issued by the public, but twenty five cents, per diem, per officer per man, and an allowance of thirty five cents, per diem, in lieu of forage for each horse, will be allowed to enable the Commanding Officer to arrange for such.

In any military district where there are rural companies not in battalion, such companies may be attached where practicable to a battalion in camp for purposes of drill; but where such cannot be conveniently arranged on account of distance, or any other cause, they may be special permission previously applied for and obtained from Head Quarters be permitted to drill under such regulations as may be in that case ordered as regards pay, but neither rations, tents, nor blankets, nor any allowance therefor, will be issued by the public.

#### DRILL AND TARGET PRACTICE.

It is recommended that the routine of drills should be observed nearly as follows, but liable to variation according to weather or other exceptional causes, viz: 6 to 7.30 A.M. half an hour aiming drill, one hour squad and company drill, all company officers attending and superintended by Field officers.

10 to 12 A.M. squad and company drill only for the first three days, and afterwards battalion drill.

3 to 5.30 P.M. a proportion of company and battalion drill at the commanding officer's discretion, excepting the last four days when Brigade movements may be practised.

As it is found impossible to make satisfactory use of 40 rounds of rifle ammunition during the very limited number of days allowed for the training which embraces so many various duties, target practice will be limited to 15 rounds per man, and officers commanding corps and companies will be held responsible that each man fires that number of rounds at the target under the direction of the Camp Musketry Instructor.

#### FIELD BATTERIES OF ARTILLERY.

In addition to the usual Field movements the drivers are to be instructed in riding, driving, cleaning harness, &c., the gunners in gun drill, dismounting guns, righting guns which have been upset, changing wheels, removing disabled artillery, &c. Commanding officers will see that drivers

are provided with whips and spurs, and with straps for their trousers.

Three days at least at the conclusion of the ordinary drill to be set apart for gun practice.

100 rounds of blank and 80 rounds of service ammunition will be allowed to each Field Battery for exercise and practice.

#### GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Garrison Batteries of Artillery whose Head Quarters are within 50 miles of the Forts at Kingston, Toronto, St. Helens Island or Quebec, (Corps in Montreal excepted), are to be encamped and drilled at the nearest of those forts, respectively, the remaining Batteries to drill under the same regulations relating to pay, subsistence, &c., as apply to corps of Infantry.

20 rounds of blank and 40 rounds of practice ammunition will be allowed for practice by each Battery where suitable guns are available, the ammunition to be distributed as far as practicable as follows: Solid shot 3, common shell 2, shrapnel shell 2, case 1, grape 1, — total 40.

#### GENERAL REGULATIONS.

10. The Deputy Adjutant General in each district will arrange for the requisite staff for brigade camps, selecting the officers so far as practicable from those in the brigade division, and recommend the same to headquarters for approval.

As the successful carrying out of the drill will, to a large extent, depend upon the action of the responsible staff officers, they will be held responsible that due care is taken to economize expenditure in their respective districts, and the best use made of the time allotted for drill.

In order that a full report may be made for Parliament on the drill and training for the fiscal year 1875-76, all drill for which payment will be made must be completed before the 1st day of December 1875, and the reports of Deputy Adjutant General of districts must be transmitted to headquarters not later than the 5th December following. Separate reports are to be made relating to corps which perform drill for 1874-75 under authority of paragraph 1.

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The news from the west, in regard to a return of the dreaded grasshopper scourge is disheartening. A despatch from Missouri says that with the warm days of spring, which seem to have opened, myriads of grasshoppers are hatched and brought to light. Grave fears are entertained on account of this fact. The only hope of the farmers appears that the pests will leave their hatching places for other scenes and pastures new. The numbers are said to be greater than in former years. From St. Paul it is reported that the regions devastated last year are free from eggs this season, but that the counties mentioned are sure to be overrun, the soil there being full of eggs.

The first of the great three year-old stakes of the season of 1875 for two thousand guineas, with a subscription of 100 sovs. each was contested on the 28th at Newmarket. The stakes closed with eighty four subscribers, out of which thirteen horses came to the post. The race was won by *Cambello*, *Picnic* second, and *Breechclouder*, third value of the stakes £4.00.