

was called upon by several stockmen who were then driving their cattle across the line. I pointed out to them, that if they herded their cattle in certain localities, it would be possible to do something for them, but as long as they turned their cattle adrift on the prairies, and only looked after them twice a year, they were themselves to blame if they lost a great many. To have done what they asked would have amounted to this: That the police would have had to act as herders over a country about one hundred miles wide, and over two hundred miles long, as the ranchmen who have squatted through that section are scattered over a country of that extent.

I have the honor to forward herewith reports from the different officers in charge of posts, viz:—

Superintendent W. D. Jarvis, Saskatchewan.
do J. Walker, Battleford.
do Wm. M. Herchmer, Shoal Lake.
do J. M. Walsh, Wood Mountain.
do L. N. F. Crozier, Fort Walsh.
do Wm. Winder, Fort McLeod.

Together with the reports of Surgeons Kittson and Kennedy upon Forts Walsh and McLeod respectively, as well as returns showing the Magisterial work done in the Southern District and at Saskatchewan, Battleford, and Shoal Lake.

The following is the distribution of the force:—

Division.	Where Stationed.	Officers.			Sergeants.		Corporals.	Constables.	Total.	Total Strength.	Troop Horses.	Total Strength.
		Staff.	Superintendents.	Inspectors.	Staff.	Duty.						
A.	Fort Saskatchewan.....		1	1	2	2		12	18	18	11	11
B.	Wood Mountain.....		1		1	1		20	23		23	
"	East End Post.....					1		9	10		6	
"	Fort Walsh.....	3		2	3	2	4	55	70	103	47	76
C.	Fort McLeod.....	1	1	2	2	2	3	39	50	50	78	78
D.	Shoal Lake.....		1		1		2	15	19		19	
"	Qu'Appelle.....			1		1		4	6		2	
"	Swan River.....							2	2		3	
"	Duck Lake.....					1	1		2		1	
"	Battleford.....							1	1		3	
"	Prince Albert.....							3	3	33	4	32
E.	Fort McLeod.....			3	2	3	1	30	39		33	
"	Fort Calgary.....				1	1	1	10	13		16	
"	Battleford.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	16	23		26	
"	Prince Albert.....					1			1			
"	Duck Lake.....							1	1	77	1	76
F.	Fort Walsh.....	2	1	3	6	4	5	51	72		56	
"	Milk River.....						1	6	7		5	
"	Shoal Lake.....							2	2	81		61
	Total.....	7	6	13	19	23	20	277	362	362	334	334