

at four different ranges), efficiently. It is due to the 35th Battalions to report that the companies of these corps fired the 40 rounds per man, at the four ranges required; No. 4 Company, 37th Battalion, very weak, was attached to another Company for that purpose.

The 20th Battalion and four companies of the 44th Battalion performed their annual drill under the general order of the 30th May, at their respective company Head Quarters.

The muster of these corps was good rather above the average muster. The physical appearance of the men was very good and soldier like. The condition of their arms, accoutrements, and clothing was very fair. Their company drill was as good as might be expected. This Battalion (the 20th) fired 40 rounds, per man, at the four different ranges. It is due to No. 4 Company (Norval), Captain Currie, of the 20th Battalion, to report that on the morning of my inspection there stood 2 officers and 55 non-commissioned officers and men in the ranks—their full strength, less the ensign not appointed.

It is due also to No. 7 Company (Milton), Captain Rixon, 20th Battalion, to state, although the Company was not strong in numbers, yet its appearance on parade was very creditable. The arms, accoutrements, and clothing were very clean and in good order. This public spirited officer does not meet with that support which he deserves—the feeling in the vicinity of Milton being decidedly opposed to volunteering. This officer has purchased and paid for a good sized building and ground, previously used as an Orange Lodge, at a cost of over 200 dollars, which affords ample accommodation for his company. I beg to recommend that this officer may be reimbursed the above amount.

The 4 companies of the 44th Battalion were inspected by Lt.-Col. Villiers, Brigade Major, who reports that the companies mustered well. The men were smart and soldier-like; arms, accoutrements and clothing in good order.

The Independent Rifle Company at the Sault Ste Marie—Captain Wilson. This company, although it did not muster very strong when inspected, is composed of a very fine body of young men, whose occupation at certain seasons of the year obliges them to leave. The arms, accoutrements and clothing in very good order, and reflects much credit upon the officers commanding, who takes great interest in all that appertains to the welfare and efficiency of his company.

SCHOOL OF MILITARY INSTRUCTION,	
Number of cadets admitted during the past year.....	72
Number of cadets who obtained first class certificates.....	4
Do. who obtained 2nd class certificates.....	54
Withdrawn with permission to re-enter Military School.....	14
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>72</b>

Of the above number twenty-seven were officers of the active militia, 14 were non-commissioned officers, the remainder were young gentlemen, several of whom have since received commissions in the force.

Average number of days required to obtain 2nd class certificates.....	57
Average number of days required to obtain 1st class certificates.....	72

Adjutant to the School—Lt.-Col. Dension, Brigade Major.  
Drill Instructor—Sergeant Major Cantlin.  
The above officer and non-commissioned officer have been unremitting in their attention to, and discharge of, their respective duties.

I beg leave to forward the accompanying inspection report of corps having performed their annual drill of the year 1873-74; also return (A) of corps which have not performed their annual drill up to this date.

It gives me much pleasure in being able again to report for your favourable consideration the able support received by me at all times by the staff officers of the District:

Lt. Colonel Dension, Brigade Major; Lt.-Col. Villiers, Brigade Major; and Major Alger, District Paymaster.

I much regret to state that the Active Militia Force of Toronto, still labours under the great disadvantage of having no drill shed. A want seriously felt, especially during winter months, there being no convenient place where sufficient accommodation can be obtained.

I have the honor to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient Servant,  
W. S. DURIE, Lt.-Colonel,  
Deputy Adjutant General,  
Military District, No. 2

The Acting Adjutant General, of Militia  
HEAD QUARTERS,  
Ottawa.  
Old Fort, Toronto,  
20th November, 1873.

[MEMO.]  
(A)  
The undermentioned Corps in Military District No. 2, have performed their annual drill for 1873-74, viz. :—

- ARTILLERY.  
1.—Welland Field Battery.  
2.—St. Catharines Garrison.  
INFANTRY.  
3.—2nd Battalion Queen's own Rifles.  
Or Royals.

- 4.—10th „  
5.—13th „  
6.—19th „  
7.—34th „  
8.—36th „  
9.—39th „  
10.—44th „

4 Companies.  
Wm. S. DURIE, Lt.-Col.  
Military District No. 2.  
The Acting Adjt. General of Militia.  
OTTAWA,

MILITARY DISTRICT, No. 3.  
Kingston, Dec. 12th 1873.

Sir.—Inconformity with the instructions contained in your "Circular Memorandum," dated Ottawa, October 24th, 1873, I have the honor to enclose the tabulated returns of all the corps in Military District, No. 3, of

Active Militia which have been inspected up to the present date; as well as a list of those corps which have not yet been inspected, not having performed the annual drill, but which intend to do so during the winter, or before the financial year expires in June, 1874.

The total strength of the forces mustered and paid upon inspection, up to the present time is. —

Officers.....	216
N. C. Officers and Men.....	2601
Horses.....	469

The Cobourg Garrison Battery of Artillery did not assemble until 31st October, 1873, for eight days, and were inspected on the 7th November.

No corps have notified me since that date of their intention to perform the annual drill immediately, but I have reasons to think that they will do so before the 30th June 1874, as "may be most convenient" under the General Orders (12.) 30th May, 1873.

The following corps have so far performed the drill, and have been mustered and paid :—

Cavalry.  
Northumberland and Durham Squadron.  
Frontenac Squadron.  
Napanee Troop.  
Peterborough Troop.  
Picton Troop.  
Total, 7 Troops.

Artillery.  
Kingston Field Battery.  
Napanee Garrison Battery,  
Cobourg Garrison Battery.  
Total, 3 Batteries.

Infantry. Battalion  
Head Quarters.

14th P. W. O. Rifles.....	Kingston
15th Argyll Light Infantry.....	Belleville
40th Infantry.....	Cobourg
45th do (except 3 companies).....	Bowmanville
46th do.....	Port Hope
47th do.....	Kingston
48th do.....	Napanee
49th do (except the Madoc Company).....	Belleville
57th do.....	Peterborough
<b>Total, 9 Battalions.</b>	

The following corps have not yet put in their drill :—

Cavalry.  
Colborne Troop } 2 Troops.  
Lakefield Troop }

Artillery.  
Durham Field Battery.... }  
Port Hope Garrison.... } 3 Batteries.  
Battery..... }  
Trenton Garrison Battery. }

Infantry  
16th Prince Edward..... 1 Battalion.  
Infantry..... }  
Madoc Company, 49th Battalion..... 1 Company.  
Three Companies 45th Battalion..... 3 Companies.

Of those Corps given above which have been inspected, the following is a list of the places where they performed the annual drill :—