

Up to a late date all the police in the north-west portion of Alberta were stationed at Fort Saskatchewan, about twenty miles east of Edmonton, and the settlers at that place expressed great dissatisfaction at the distance between them and their ostensible protectors. This part of the force having lately been materially augmented, seventy men under Superintendent Griesbach and Inspector Snyder have been allotted to Fort Edmonton, greatly to the satisfaction of the townspeople, while thirty more under Inspector Mills maintain the old station. Owing to a lack of stable accommodation at Edmonton, the majority of the horses of the division will be wintered at Fort Saskatchewan. The men's quarters are in comfortable shape.

Inspector Dickens, who was in command at Fort Pitt at the time of the insurrection, and who has been East on a holiday, has returned West to resume his duties.

Inspector Howe left Moncton for the West on the 14th with 42 recruits selected in the Maritime Provinces. The boys had a parting fling there that will probably be sorrowfully remembered at least till they reach the Scott Act counties of Ontario.

Capt. Fred. White, comptroller of the force, who accompanied Sir John Macdonald to England, is expected home very early in the new year.

SYLLABUS FOR THE MILITARY SCHOOLS,

BEING THE NEW MATTER EMBODIED IN THE REGULATIONS.

INSTRUCTIONAL.

The commandants will detail the days and hours during which instruction will be given in the different subjects in their several schools, and will be held responsible for the maintenance of regularity and order therein, as well in the system of instruction as in attendances at the various instructional exercises.

SYLLABUS.

The following is a list of the subjects which will be taught and the full number of marks allotted to each subject. Each person under instruction will be awarded marks in each subject according to the degree of merit shown at the examinations.

Twenty-five hours practical and three hours theoretical instruction will be given each week during each "Short Course" of three months, consisting of seventy-five drill days.

THEORETICAL INSTRUCTION.

This instruction, apart from that given during the hours of actual drill, will be comprised in a course of 36 lectures of about one hour each—three to be given during each week by the commandant, or in his absence by such of the officers or sergeant instructors as are detailed by him; and the lecturers are to pay particular attention to illustrating the subject in hand by diagrams, and models when available and refer their squads to the particular portion of "Regulations or Manuals" which are being illustrated.

These lectures will include the following subjects, viz.:

In Schools of Cavalry :—*Military Law*—Discipline—The line of March—Reconnoitring—Outpost duty—and Patrolling—Scouting duties—Management and Care of Horses and Stables—Veterinary training—and the Employment of Cavalry with Field Artillery, Interior Economy, &c.

In Schools of Artillery :—*Military Law*—*Ammunition*.—Twelve lectures. As comprised in the Manual for Siege and Garrison Artillery, Vol. 1, and the Canadian Field Artillery Manual. This subject includes gunpowder, cartridges, projectiles, fuzes, tubes, &c. *Gunnery*.—Twelve lectures. As comprised in the above Manuals—including all details relative to the flight and effect of projectiles; Artillery fire; Rango finding, &c. *Artillery*.—Twelve lectures. Comprising description of Service Ordnance; Sighting and Rifling; Carriages; Material and appliances; Machines and Transporting Carriages; Field equipment and details of packing, entrenching Field Gun.

In Schools of Infantry :—Drill and Exercises—Discipline and Law—Interior Economy—Regimental Duties, &c.

Duties in aid of Civil Power and the mode of conducting *Official Correspondence*, as laid down in the Regulations and Orders for the Militia, shall form an obligatory portion of each Course of Instruction. In the correspondence which comprises letters, reports, &c., on official subjects and the preparation of returns and states, conciseness and correctness of expression, and the mode of addressing officers of different ranks are to be insisted on.

Gymnastic Exercises will be encouraged in all the Schools.

Cavalry Subjects—Short Course.

DISMOUNTED, 30 DAYS.

Squad Drill—Carbine Exercises—Sword Exercises—Signaling, each 5 days; Marching, 3 days; Troop Drill and formation, 7 days.

MOUNTED, 33 DAYS.

Military Equitation and Stable Duties, 20 days.

Formation and movements of the Troop and Squadron, 5 days.

Outposts, Patrolling, Scouting, 8 days.

Regimental duties, 12 days.

With the exception that the first month will be devoted to instructing the Cavalry Soldier on foot previous to his commencing mounted exercises, it is not to be considered obligatory that the above drills shall all be completed in the order mentioned. A sufficient number of afternoon dismounted drills may be given on such days as mornings are required for Riding School—in order that the total number of 75 days of actual drill be not exceeded.

All officers going through a course of instruction will invariably attend (unless otherwise employed) daily at mid-day stable hour; and take their ordinary tour of duty whenever considered qualified therefor by the commandant—they will also attend the Orderly Room daily until dismissed—and all Courts Martial. All non-commissioned officers and men will attend all stable hours, unless otherwise employed, and take their tour of duty whenever considered qualified.

Officers attached for instruction are required to attend a special course of instruction in Military Law, Queen's and Militia Regulations and Orders, Interior Economy, and Military Reports.

EXAMINATIONS—(PRACTICAL) VALUES.

Dismounted Exercises—Full Marks, 150.

Distributed as follows :—Foot Drill, includes Troop Drill, 25. Carbine Exercises, includes Manual and Firing Exercises, 25. Sword Exercise, includes practices in attack and defence, 25. Stable Duties, including the detail of saddling and mode of fitting saddle and bridle, 50. Signalling, 25.

Mounted Exercises—Full Marks, 250.

Distributed as follows :—Military Equitation, includes Single and Double ride, post practice and training horses, 100. Formation and movements of Troops and Squadron, including Escort duty on State occasions, and for Stores, Baggage, &c., 50. Sword Exercise, 25. Carbine and Pistol Exercise, 25. Outpost, includes Patrolling and Scouting duties, 50 marks.

Instructional Ability—Full Marks, 100.

THEORETICAL—FULL MARKS, 200.

Drills and Exercises—Dismounted, 50. Drills and Exercises—Mounted, 50. Discipline, Militia Law and Interior Economy, 50. Regimental duties, 50.

Artillery Subjects—Short Course.

GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Squad drill—Company drill—Traversing platform drills, each 5 days. Rifle Exercises—Shifting Ordnance, each 8 days. Standing gun drill, 10 days. B. L. Siege gun drill, 7 days. Elementary Exercises—Transporting Ordnance—Gyn drill, each 4 days. Knotting and lashing, 3 days. Regimental duties, 12 days. Total, 75 days.

FIELD ARTILLERY.

Squad drill—Mounting and Dismounting field gun—Sword drill, each 5 days. Rifle Exercises—Field Manœuvres—Riding, each 8 days. Company drill, 2 days. Standing gun drill, 14 days. Disabled Ordnance—Harnessing, each 4 days. Regimental duties, 12 days. Total, 75 days.

ENGINEERS.

Squad drill—Company drill, each 5 days. Rifle Exercises, 8 days. Regimental duties, 12 days. Course of Instruction at the Royal Military College, 45 days. Total, 75 days.

With the exception of squad drill and rifle exercises, which should be completed before Artillery exercises are commenced, it is not to be considered obligatory that the above drills should be all completed in the order mentioned. Company drill, for instance, may advantageously be practised at the weekly marching order drill throughout the course. In the Garrison Artillery course, drill with transporting carriages, and in the Field Artillery course, riding and sword drill may be omitted in the case of attached men who are backward in the remainder of their drills.

EXAMINATIONS—GARRISON ARTILLERY—FULL MARKS, 500.

Infantry Exercises, including manual and firing exercises, and Company drill, 60. Gun Drill—Standing Gun drill on Ground and Traversing Platform, 100. Siege Gun Drill, with 40 pr. B. L., includes coming into action and limbering up, and mounting and dismounting Gun, 100. Shifting Ordnance, mounting or dismounting Gun, by par-buckling, or by the rear, and elementary exercises, 100. Gyn Drill, as detailed in Manual, 40. Instructional ability, 100.