

issue and registration of all Militia commissions. The Annual Militia List is here compiled, and periodical corrections made of the same as printed in the Imperial Army List. It may be incidentally mentioned that this Office forms a connecting link between the old Provincial Militia organizations and that of the Dominion, at times entailing much reference and research.

The North-West Rebellion specially augmented the work and correspondence of the Adjutant-General's Office, the work necessarily continuing long after the suppression of the outbreak and down to the present time; all the certificates of service for the issue of Land Warrants by the Department of the Interior to those who served having, among other things, to be searched out and prepared here.

The Headquarters Staff further comprises the Inspector of Artillery and Warlike Stores for the Dominion, who likewise commands the Regiment of Canadian (permanent) Artillery; the Commandants of "A" and "B" Batteries thereof are Assistant Inspectors. The Professor of Fortification of the Royal Military College is the Inspector of Engineers; there are two Staff Officers of Engineers, but not under any permanent pay.

THE DISTRICT STAFF

of permanently paid Officers consists of a Deputy Adjutant-General, commanding the Militia within his District, assisted in nearly all cases by a Brigade Major. The Officers performing the combined duties of Superintendent of Stores and District Paymaster have been mentioned and their duties described, under the Civil Branch of the Department. Ontario is divided into four Military Districts; Quebec into three; and each of the other Provinces forms one District, number ten comprising, together with Manitoba, the North-West Territories and Keewatin. One Deputy Adjutant-General at present commands numbers nine and twelve, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The Commandants of the Schools of Infantry at Fredericton, N. B., and Toronto have recently been appointed Deputy Adjutants-General of their respective Military Districts (numbers eight and two).

The Officers of the Active Militia are appointed provisionally, unless they possess the requisite certificates of military qualification, or have served as Officers or Non-Commissioned Officers of Her Majesty's Regular Army; but, when thus provisionally appointed, they are not promoted until they acquire substantive rank, after passing the prescribed examinations and obtaining certificates.

While the permanent Corps of Militia form the nucleus of an Army Corps, the Schools of Military Instruction, which they likewise constitute, furnish the principal facilities offered to the Officers and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Active Militia for acquiring the main elements of a military education; but foremost among the military institutions of the Dominion, and a credit alike to it and to the Mother Country, from whose service the Commandant and principal Officers of the College Staff have been obtained, stands

THE ROYAL MILITARY COLLEGE OF CANADA.

The Royal Military College was founded at Kingston, Ont., in 1875, and opened in June, 1876, with a class of 18 Cadets and a Staff consisting of a Commandant, a Captain of Cadets, and three Professors, one of whom was a civilian.

The only building available at first was the old Naval Barrack, at Point Frederick, which is now used only as a dormitory. The present College building was completed in the summer of 1878. New batches of Cadets were at first admitted every six months, and by June, 1880, when those who originally joined completed their course, the number had increased to about 90. The Staff had in the meanwhile been gradually added to and was now complete.

The total number of Cadets approved for admission to the present date is 235. Of these 235 actually joined. The number who have graduated is 103. The following is the number of Cadets who have been gazetted to commissions in the Imperial Army:—