

*Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Privy Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 1st December, 1870.*

The Committee of Council, on the Report of the Adjutant General of Militia, and the recommendation of the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, respectfully submit for your Excellency's approval, the memorandum dated 14th November, 1870, having reference to the establishment of Schools of Military Instruction, closed in consequence of the departure of the regular troops, and they advise that the several recommendations therein submitted be adopted and acted on.

Certified.

(Signed,)

WM. H. LEE,

Clerk, Privy Council.

To the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, &c., &c., &c.

#### HEAD QUARTERS.

OTTAWA, November 14th, 1870.

SIR,—With a view to the re-establishment of the Schools of Military Instruction, closed in consequence of the departure of the regular troops, adverting to my report of 10th March last on this subject, and in order to carry out the provisions of the Militia Act, I have the honor now to recommend the adoption of the following measures :—

1st. That until further orders six schools for practical military instruction be maintained in the Dominion, and kept open during six months of the financial year only, viz., from 1st December to 31st May inclusive, unless it be found desirable to keep open any such school or schools for a longer period; and that practical instruction, not only in infantry but in artillery exercises, may be imparted therein in accordance with the system heretofore in existence.

2nd. That the *maximum* number of cadets for the Dominion to be authorized for admission to such schools, for such period of six months, be limited to five (500) hundred, with an addition of fifty to the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, until the number of trained cadets in those Provinces equals (proportionally, according to the strength of the militia in the respective districts) the number of cadets already trained in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, and that they be taken from the several brigade divisions in proportion to the strength of the militia in such brigade division as shewn by the periodical enrolments from time to time.

3rd. The cadets to be selected from applicants, *bona fide* resident in such brigade divisions, and the *maximum* number of Cadets to be admitted into any school, not to exceed 65 at any one time—this arrangement would, according to the enrolments of 1869, give the following numbers for the different brigade divisions (allowance being made for 50 additional cadets in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick).

Brigade Division.		No. of Cadets.
Province of Ontario.	1st. ....	41
	2nd. ....	40
	3rd. ....	33
	4th. ....	36
	5th. ....	7
	6th. ....	22
	7th. ....	22
	8th. ....	37

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