

afford a suitable return for the outlay. Attention to economy is apparent from the fact that with a more extended range of instruction, the staff is smaller than that of any kindred institution. It is based for 80 to 120 cadets; and as the same number of subjects have to be taught to the few as well as to the many, it could not therefore be materially reduced for even less than 80 cadets. The full value of the college can hardly be brought out while the number of cadets is small. It is very desirable that the early consideration of this scheme for the future organization of the college should be adopted, as working without a clearly understood and acknowledged end must be unsatisfactory.

I therefore request favourable consideration of Lieut. Col. Hewett's prospective estimate, as follows :—

At present the Staff, including the captain of cadets, numbers..	6
Subordinate staff.....	4
For 1878, 75 cadets, staff.....	7
Subordinates.....	5
For 1879, 90 cadets, staff.....	11
Subordinates	8
For 1880, 120 cadets, staff.....	16
Subordinates	12

The subjects of instruction have been mathematics, geometrical drawing, freehand and instrumental drawing, French, German, fortification, artillery, military topography and surveying, military history, military law, elementary chemistry and geology, drill and discipline. Four additional subjects will be taken up after next term. The progress of the cadets in the study of the above subjects has been remarkable, and their conduct is stated to be very satisfactory. Those appointed non-commissioned officers have continued to merit remarks for the manner in which they have performed their duty and assisted to maintain the good discipline which has been conspicuous. Artillery and infantry drill are taught by the captain of cadets with great success. Tent-pitching, guard-mounting and the duties of sentry are also practised.

Swimming is encouraged, as well as rowing and sailing, and in fact many exercises of every kind are practised, so necessary to the thorough development and training of youths of their age. A cricket ground and gymnastic apparatus have greatly assisted in physical exercises. The gymnasium building is very complete and in winter will be a most useful and healthful resort. I request attention to the necessity for a more complete arrangement for escape from fire; it was brought to my notice on my last inspection, and I suggest that one or two iron ladders should be placed against the building for that object.