

On Nova Scotia up to £20 sterling at the following rates:—

Up to £2 stg.....	1s. 0d.
From 2 to £5 stg.....	1 6
“ 5 to 10 .....	3 0
“ 10 to 15 .....	4 6
“ 15 to 20 .....	6 0

On Great Britain and Newfoundland up to £10 sterling, for which commission will be charged as under:—

Up to £1 stg.....	1s. 0d.
From 1 to £2 stg.....	1 3
“ 2 to 5 .....	2 6
“ 5 to 7 .....	3 9
“ 7 to 10 .....	5 0

ABSTRACT of Money Order Business.

Year.	Amount of Orders issued.	Amount of Orders paid.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1867.....	4,304 5 11	1,350 11 9
1868.....	4,006 9 2	1,282 13 7
1869.....	4,151 11 11	1,153 14 9
1870.....	3,941 1 0	1,091 15 5

The above sums are Island currency, equal to 50 per cent on the sterling. An Act was passed during the last sitting of the Legislature, assimilating the Island currency to that of the Dominion; said Act takes effect 1st January, 1872.

Year.	No. of Post and Way Offices.	No. Miles Mail Route.	No. Miles of Annual Mail Travel.	Postal Revenue.	Expenditure.	No. of Letters by Post per annum.
				Currency. £ s. d.	Currency. £ s. d.	
1867.....	119	477	94,846	2,143 8 11	6,576 2 3	475,000
1868.....	119	493	95,463	1,968 4 2	6,134 12 1	487,000
1869.....	121	511	97,057	2,312 5 0	6,129 1 11	503,000
1870.....	138	534	98,172	2,350 0 0	6,261 14 4	511,000

## The Militia.

In previous years it has been stated in the *Year Book* that the Militia system of Canada requires that every able-bodied man within the Dominion be enrolled for its defense. An enrolment takes place each year in the month of February. The last published return set down the number on the rolls as 675,000; and, if we are not misinformed, the enrolment of 1871 shews a total of very nearly 700,000 in the 4 Provinces, besides what may be added by enrolment in Manitoba and British Columbia.

These, it will be remembered, are divided into 4 classes,—each class being compelled to furnish all its men fit for service in any district ere the next is called on to send its quota to the drill room, camp or field.

**FIRST CLASS**—Men 18 to 30 unmarried or widowers without children.

**SECOND CLASS**—Men 30 to 45 unmarried or widowers without children.

**THIRD CLASS**—Men 18 to 45 married or widowers with children.

**FOURTH CLASS**—Men 45 to 60 years of age

Out of the Militia thus enrolled are taken the active Militia made up hitherto altogether of Volunteers; but in case the quota is not filled up by volunteering, the ballot

may be used in any Division or District—and the active force so raised and drilled is called the Regular Militia. Power is also given to embody seamen and fishermen in a Marine Militia. The Act as amended provides for the embodying and drilling in each year of 45,000 men of the active Militia, but the number on the rolls of Active Volunteer Corps, during the past two years has been from 44,000 to 45,000. In previous years those had been drilled for 8 to 16 days, at battalion headquarters, or in battalion camps. In 1871 a series of Brigade or Divisional camps were formed, of which the Adjutant-General reports as follows:—

“In the sixteen day Camps of Exercise the following numbers performed the Annual Drill, Officers, non-commissioned Officers and Men being paid, drilled and supplied as if on actual service.

Military Dis't No.	Officers & Men.	Horses.
1	2,316	143
do do 2	4,753	620
do do 3	2,758	319
do do 4	2,227	105
do do 5	3,546	231
do do 6	1,512	23
do do 7	2,886	221
do do 8	1,411	319
do do 9	1,135	15
Total.....	22,544	1,996

More than 1,300 Cavalry and 10 Field Batteries of Artillery (with 42 Field Guns) are included in the above strength, and were