Surviving
veterans of
1812.

966. On the 30th June, 1892, there were only 18 survivors of the war of 1812, the youngest of whom was 90 years of age. The ages of 11 of these veterans (the ages of the remaining 7 are not given) when added together, made a total of 1,068, being an average age of 97 years each. The age of one is given at 105.

Militia
expendi-
ture since
1868.

967. The following table is a summary of the amount expended by the Department upon the Militia and defence of Canada since Confederation.

SUMMARY OF MILITIA EXPENDITURE IN CANADA SINCE 1868.

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE.	Amounts 1868 to 1892 inclusive.
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Salaries, headquarters, district staff and brigade-majors....	1,180,725
Ammunition.........	1,231,825
Military clothing and stores...	3,296,723
Drill sheds, rifle ranges and armouries........	361,622
Drill instruction	1,004,084
Military schools....	429,292
Care of arms, public armouries, &c.	1,351,319
Annual drill.	7,036,913
Rifle associations............	27,750
Frontier service—Fenian raid	400,924
Red River expeditionary force, and forces in the North-west. ...	1,461,867
Improved firearms....	347,304
Royal Military College..	888,181
Dominion Rifle Association.......	96,000
Artillery, cavalry and infantry schools......	4,886,439
Militia on active service, North-west Rebellion............	4,732,941
Militia pensions.	781,026
Other expenditure...	2,921,986
Total	32,346,921

Men avail-
able for
service.

968. The number of men available for active service in Canada, between the ages of 18 and 45, is about one million. There is, at present, no active marine militia, the naval defences of the country being under the care of the Imperial Government. There are eleven ships

Marine
militia.

on the North America and West India stations, and eight on the Pacific station.

NORTH-WEST MOUNTED POLICE.

The North
West
Mounted
Police.

969. By an Act 36 Vic., c. 35 (1873), authority was given for the organization of a Mounted Police Force, for the better preservation of law and order in the North-west Territories, the number of men being limited to 300. Accordingly, in the autumn of the same year, a small