

widow and her only support. Certain other persons are exempt from service, except in case of war.

737. The number of men to be trained and drilled annually is limited to forty-five thousand, except as specially authorized, and the period of drill is to be sixteen days, and not less than eight days, in each year. Number of men and period of drill.

738. The militia is divided into active and reserve land and marine force. The active land and marine force is composed of men raised either by voluntary enlistment or ballot, and the reserve force consists of the whole of the men not serving in the active militia for the time being. Active and reserve Militia.

739. The period of service is three years. Period of service.

740. The Dominion is divided into twelve military districts, in each of which a permanent military staff is maintained, under the command of a Deputy Adjutant-General. Military districts.

741. The permanent corps and Schools of Instruction consist of "A" and "B" Troops, Canadian Dragoons, at Quebec and Winnipeg; "A," "B" and "C" Batteries, Schools of Artillery at Kingston, Quebec and Victoria, B.C.; Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Companies, Canadian Regiment of Infantry, at London, Ont., Toronto, St. Johns, Que., and Fredericton, N.B. The total strength of these permanent corps is limited to 1,000 men. The present strength is 1,009 men, including officers. Permanent corps.

742. The Royal Military College at Kingston, which is under the control of the Militia Department, was founded in 1875, and has proved a most successful institution. The total number of cadets who have graduated has been 171, and 81 have been gazetted to commissions in the Imperial army. Four commissions are annually offered by the Imperial Government, and in 1888 six others were offered, proving that the Imperial Government is fully satisfied with those graduates who have already obtained commissions in the service. In 1891, one cadet received a commission in the Royal Engineers, one in the Royal Artillery, and two in the Infantry. Royal Military College.

743. The following is a statement of the numbers of the Active Militia, showing the strength of the different arms of the service:— Strength of the Active Militia.