

The St. John's College Cadets, the New Plymouth School Cadets, the Blenheim School Cadets, the Christ's College Cadets, the Christchurch High School Cadets, the Palmerston South High School Cadets, and the Tokomairiro High School Cadets are good companies.

The remainder of the cadet companies which I have inspected during the past year are not up to the standard of the above companies. In most cases the work done was simply setting up and recruit drill.

There are in all thirty-seven companies of cadets, and the difficulty of instructing such a number of companies is very great.

It would be extremely beneficial if all the companies could be raised to the same state of proficiency as those reported upon as being very good.

Several applications have been received from Auckland for the formation of cadet companies. If there is a reasonable prospect of such companies receiving good instruction it would be wise to form them. Indifferently-instructed cadets are worse than useless, as they from the commencement get into slovenly and careless habits.

*Return of Cadet Corps, showing Strength, and Amount of Annual Allowance paid each Corps, on the 28th February, 1895.*

| District.            | Corps.                                                  | Strength. | Allowance paid. |
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| Auckland ...         | St. John's College Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...           | 55        | £ 20            |
| East Coast ...       | Napier High School Naval Artillery Cadet Volunteers ... | 40        | ...             |
| Taranaki ...         | New Plymouth School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...          | 42        | 15              |
| Wanganui ...         | Wanganui Collegiate School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...   | 106       | 20              |
| " ...                | Wanganui Boys' Public School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ... | 44        | 20              |
| Wairarapa ...        | Masterton School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...             | 51        | ...             |
| Wellington ...       | Wellington College Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...           | 49        | 20              |
| " ...                | Mount Cook School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...            | 62        | 20              |
| Nelson ...           | Nelson College Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...               | 61        | 20              |
| " ...                | Westport School Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...              | 43        | ...             |
| Marlborough ...      | Blenheim Borough School Cadet Volunteers ...            | 60        | 20              |
| " ...                | Tuamarina School Cadet Volunteers ...                   | 24        | ...             |
| North Canterbury ... | Christ's College Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...             | 56        | 20              |
| " ...                | Christchurch Boys' High School Cadet Volunteers ...     | 60        | 20              |
| " ...                | Kaipoi Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...                       | 46        | 20              |
| " ...                | Queen's Rifle Cadet Volunteers ...                      | 40        | 20              |
| South Canterbury ... | Timaru High School Cadet Volunteers ...                 | 46        | 15              |
| " ...                | Temuka District High School Cadet Volunteers ...        | 47        | 10              |
| Oamaru ...           | Oamaru High School Cadet Volunteers ...                 | 47        | 15              |
| " ...                | Oamaru North School Cadet Volunteers ...                | 48        | 20              |
| " ...                | Oamaru South School Cadet Volunteers ...                | 47        | 20              |
| " ...                | Waitaki High School Naval Cadet Volunteers ...          | 43        | 20              |
| " ...                | Palmerston South High School Cadet Volunteers ...       | 47        | 20              |
| Dunedin ...          | Union Street School Cadet Volunteers ...                | 65        | 10              |
| " ...                | Normal School Cadet Volunteers ...                      | 62        | 10              |
| " ...                | South District School Cadet Volunteers ...              | 51        | 10              |
| " ...                | Arthur Street School Cadet Volunteers ...               | 81        | 10              |
| " ...                | Outram School Cadet Volunteers ...                      | 45        | Disb.           |
| " ...                | Dunedin High School Cadet Volunteers ...                | 53        | 20              |
| " ...                | Lawrence District High School Cadet Volunteers ...      | 50        | 20              |
| " ...                | North-east Valley School Cadet Volunteers ...           | 60        | 10              |
| " ...                | Albany School Cadet Volunteers ...                      | 62        | 10              |
| " ...                | Tokomairiro High School Cadet Volunteers ...            | 39        | 20              |
| " ...                | George Street School Cadet Volunteers ...               | 69        | 10              |
| " ...                | Balclutha School Cadet Volunteers ...                   | 50        | ...             |
| Southland ...        | Invercargill Middle School Cadet Volunteers ...         | 50        | 15              |
| " ...                | Woodlands School Cadet Volunteers ...                   | 41        | ...             |
|                      |                                                         | 1,942     | 500             |