

RETURN of the STRENGTH of the VOLUNTEER FORCE, and How Armed—*continued.*

District.	Corps.	Lieutenant-Colonel.	Majors.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Sub-Lieutenants.	Surgeons.	Assistant-Surgeons.	Staff Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Trumpeters or Buglers.	Rank and File.	Total all Ranks.	Sniders.			Cadet Arms.		Enfield Rifles.
														Cavalry Carbines.	Artillery Carbines.	Rifles.	Muzzle-loading Carbines.	Terry's Carbines.	
Dunedin— <i>contd.</i>	City Guard Rifles ...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	...	6	1	108	119	...	...	100	...	...	...
	North Dunedin Rifles ...	...	1	1	1	1	...	1	...	5	1	59	68	...	...	67	...	...	...
	South District Rifles ...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	4	...	45	52	...	...	55	...	...	...
	No. 1 Waikari Rifles ...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	47	57	}	...	80	...	...	...
	No. 2 Waikari Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	4	1	41	48		...	...	...	...	...
	Bruce Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	3	...	48	54	...	...	57	...	...	...
	East Taieri Rifles ...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	4	...	56	64	...	...	60	...	...	...
	West Taieri Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	5	1	36	45	...	...	46	...	...	...
	Clutha Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	4	...	63	71	...	...	73	...	...
	Waikouaiti Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	3	1	40	55	...	...	39	...	...	...
	Portobello Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	4	...	56	63	...	...	50	...	...	...
	Dunedin Naval ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	5	...	94	103	...	81	...	...	...	...
	Port Chalmers Naval ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	8	1	65	77	...	77	...	...	...	...
	No. 1 City Guard Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	3	...	38	44	...	...	...	...	49	...
	High School Artillery Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	...	70	78	...	...	...	...	50	...
	High School Rifle Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	4	...	50	57	...	...	...	...	2	...
	North District School Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	4	...	93	100	...	...	...	...	100	...
	South District School Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	...	47	55	...	...	...	...	44	...
	Middle District School Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	91	100	...	...	...	...	49	...
	Tokomairiro Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	2	...	54	59	...	...	...	...	39	...
	Normal School Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	7	...	90	100	...	...	...	...	85	...
	Waikouaiti Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	...	36	41	...	...	...	...	40	...
	Sandymount Cadets* ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	3	...	47	53	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dunedin Naval Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	5	...	81	88	...	...	...	80	...	...
	Port Chalmers Naval Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	4	1	34	42	...	...	...	30	...	...
Invercargill ...	Staff ...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
	G Battery Artillery ...	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	4	1	47	55	...	80	...	...	...	...
	K Battery Artillery ...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	6	1	58	69	...	75	...	...	...	...
	Garrison Band ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	26	29	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Invercargill Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	2	51	61	...	...	57	...	...	...
	Riverton Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	...	68	76	...	...	40	...	...	...
Lake ...	Artillery Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	82	91	...	...	...	...	60	...
	Staff ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Arrow Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	62	71	...	...	66	...	...	...
	Queenstown Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	...	6	1	50	60	...	...	47	...	...	...
	Cromwell Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	8	2	60	73	...	...	60	...	...	...
	Queenstown Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	34	38	...	...	...	...	...	20
Westland ...	Arrow Cadets* ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	4	...	26	33	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Staff ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
	1st Westland Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	5	1	48	57	...	...	121	...	...	...
	Greymouth Rifles ...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	3	...	46	51	...	...	50	...	...	...
	Hokitika Cadets ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	26	...	5
Westland ...	Greymouth Cadets ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	41	...	...	...	60	...	...

\* Not armed.

## Enclosure 1 in No. 1.

Colonel LYON to the UNDER SECRETARY for DEFENCE.

SIR,—

Cambridge, 16th July, 1879.

I have the honor to forward my report of inspection of the Thames Volunteers for the information of the Hon. the Defence Minister.

The Thames District comprises one company of Engineers, one Scottish Battalion of three companies, one of Rifle Rangers, one Native Company and Naval Brigade, two companies of Cadets—one attached to the Scottish and the other to the Naval.

Annexed is a state showing the number of each company at inspection parade.

I inspected each company separately on the evenings of the 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th of April.

In consequence of want of space (my inspections being held in the Public Hall), there was no possibility of drilling the several companies, further than proving them and putting them through the manual and platoon exercise, which were in general satisfactorily performed.

I carefully examined the arms and accoutrements, which were in good order.

I was unable to see the Naval Brigade at gun practice, being obliged to leave earlier than I intended, in order to be back in Waikato in time to make arrangements for the review to be held at Hamilton on Easter Monday.

The Thames Volunteers are particularly zealous, and take a great amount of interest and pride in all volunteer matters. I had heard much about them, especially the Scottish and Naval Brigade, and