

(FORM B.)

FOR ARTILLERY, ENGINEER, RIFLE, AND NAVAL VOLUNTEERS.

We hereby certify—

1. That _____ was enrolled in the _____ on the _____
2. That he has during the past twelve months attended seven (7) parades.
3. That he has attended five (5) other parades or company drills.
4. That he possesses a competent knowledge of squad and company drill, including the manual and platoon exercises.
For Artillery.—That he possesses a knowledge of gun drill, and of the general duties of a gunner.
For Engineers.—That he has been instructed in sapping and mining, and the mode of making gabions and fascines.
For Naval Volunteers.—That he possesses a knowledge of gun drill, of the general duties of a gunner, and of the management of a boat either by sailing or rowing.
5. That he has not been absent without leave from two Government monthly inspection parades during the past year.

*Officer Commanding Corps.**Adjutant.*

Certificate confirmed:

Officer Commanding District.

Head Quarters, 187 _____

NOTE.—A parade, as referred to in section 2, shall mean a monthly inspection parade; and a parade or drill, referred to in section 3, shall mean a squad or company drill. No parade or drill will count unless it shall have lasted one hour from the time of falling-in to the time of dismissal, and unless one commissioned officer of the corps or non-commissioned officer of the permanent staff, at least, shall have been present during the whole time.

No. 20.

Lieut.-Colonel MOULE to Major GORDON.

Native and Defence Office (Militia and Volunteer Branch),
Wellington, 6th November, 1873.

SIR,—

Adverting to my letter No. 324-1c, of the 17th ultimo, transmitting your commission as Inspector of Volunteers, and to your telegram of the 3rd instant respecting the class firing for the current year, I have the honor to inform you that the nature of your appointment is only to inspect the Volunteer Force throughout the colony, and furnish a report thereon as soon as possible after that duty is completed.

With regard to the allowance of £1 per diem, I have to remark that you will be entitled to draw the allowance from the day you leave home, and for each day you are absent therefrom while employed on this duty.

I have, &c.,

W. MOULE, Lieut.-Colonel,

Acting Under Secretary for Defence.

Major Gordon, Auckland.

No. 21.

The Acting UNDER SECRETARY for DEFENCE to the OFFICER COMMANDING MILITIA and
VOLUNTEERS, Dunedin.Native and Defence Office (Militia and Volunteer Branch),
Wellington, 24th December, 1873.

SIR,—

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the application for the formation of the Caversham Company of Volunteers, which I forwarded for the remarks of Lieut.-Colonel Cargill on the 12th instant; and also an application from residents at Anderson's Bay for the formation of a new company of Naval Volunteers.

I observe on both these papers Lieut.-Colonel Cargill has minuted "Referred to the Inspector," and I have to point out that this was not the correct channel, as Major Gordon's appointment is only to inspect and report upon existing corps. The documents should have been sent direct to this office, covered by any remarks that might be considered necessary by the Officer Commanding the district.

In consequence of the memorandum by Major Gordon, each of the documents referred to will be held over until after the receipt of his report.

I have, &c.,

W. G. STACK,

(for the Acting Under Secretary for Defence).

The Officer Commanding
Militia and Volunteers, Dunedin.