with peculiar success in the Colony under your Government,

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble servant,
EDWARD CARDWELL.

Lieutenant Governor the Honorable Arthur H. Gordon.

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, SOUTH KENSINGTON.

INTERNATIONAL FRUIT SHOW.

From Saturday, 9th December, to Saturday, 16th December, 1865, inclusive.

1. The Gold Medal of the Society will be awarded for the best collection of Fruit and Vegetables produced in the garden of a Sovereign.

2. The Gold Medal of the Society for the best collection of Fruit and Vegetables grown by any Botanic or Horticultural Society in any part of the world.

3. The Gold Medal of the Society for the best and most complete representative collection of Fruit and Vegetables from any of the Colonies.

4. First Banksian Gold Medal for the best and most complete representative collection from the Presidencies of India.

5. Certificates will be awarded for separate exhibitions of Fruits and Vegetables, either fresh or preserved, from all parts of the world.

6. The first Gold Knightian Medal of the Society to the exhibitor who shall obtain the greatest number of first-class certificates.

7. The second Gold Knightian Medal to the exhibitor who shall obtain the greatest number of second-class certificates.

8. The second Gold Banksian Medal to the exhibitor who shall obtain the greatest number of third-class certificates.

9. The first Gold Banksian Medal to the exhibitor who shall gain the greatest number of marks, counting first, second, and third certificates as three, two, and one marks respectively.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS, FREDERICTON, 31st May, 1865. No. 28.

A NEW Militia Law having now come into operation, His Excellency the Commander in Chief thinks it right to call the attention of the Force to the chief provisions which distinguish it from the former Act.

The principal novelty will be found in the clauses which provide for the formation annually of a Camp of Instruction, composed of not less than fifteen Companies of the Active Militia. Such Companies are to be assembled for a period not exceeding 28 days, and are, during that period, to be under Military discipline.

Another provision to which the attention of Officers commanding Volunteer Companies is especially directed, is that which substitutes in their case a grant proportionate to the strength of the Company for one of equal amount in all cases, whether the number of men enrolled be great or small, as under the old law. Under the present Act, no Volunteer is to be included in the number entitling the Company to receive pay unless he has performed thirteen drills in the course of six months, it will therefore be necessary for the Officer commanding to keep a nominal roll of his Company, in which the attendance of each man is carefully recorded. On this roll being forwarded, with attestation of the Commanding Officer, to the Adjutant General of Militia, the amount to which the Company is entitled will be issued to the Captain.

In most other respects the present Act is, in its chief provisions, nearly identical with that of 1862.

No. 29.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief directs it to be intimated, that the Camp of Instruction will be assembled at Fredericton, or in the vicinity of that City, on Wednesday, July 5.

No. 30.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief has received the following Order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, which he has directed to be published for the information of the Militia Force:—

That the rates of pay for Officers and men of the Militia Force, to be assembled under the provisions of the Militia Act, Section 26, be as under:—

Lieut. Colonels, Majors, Captains,	\$3	00	per diem.
Subalterns,	1	50	"
Sergeants,	0	75	"
Corporals,	0	60	"
Privates,	0	50	"

Mounted Officers to receive an extra allowance for forage.

The payment to be made to each Company in the following manner:—

On the arrival of a Company at the Camp, and at the commencement of every subsequent week, pay for the next seven days will be issued to the Captain at the following rates:—

Sergeants,	 		\$0	50 per	diem.
Corporals,	 1 O.E.	7.1		30	"
Privates			0	20	"

The balance will be paid to the Captain of each Company before the dismissal of the Camp, after deducting stoppages, and an acquittance roll signed by each man will be forwarded by him to the Adjutant General of Militia.

No. 31.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief desires to call the attention of the Officers of the Provincial Militia to the facilities which are afforded to them by the proposed Camp of Instruction, for becoming acquainted with the duties which, by the acceptance of their Commissions, they are liable to be called on to perform.

His Excellency has reason to believe that many Officers are anxious to take advantage of these facilities. He has accordingly determined to invite Officers of the Militia generally throughout the Province, and of all ranks, to attend, if able, the proposed Camp.

Officers volunteering to attend the Camp will be formed into one or more separate Companies, according to their number. In all points of drill and military instruction, they will rank as Privates, but when not actually on duty will be treated in all respects as Officers, and will be allowed a separate mess and separate quarters. As like the other Officers they will provide their own mess, they will receive an allowance in money in lieu of the rations provided for the Camp at large. It is requested that Officers desirous of attending will send in their names direct to the Adjutant General of Militia before the 20th June, forwarding at the same time to the Officer commanding the Battalion to which they belong, an intimation that they have done so. They will then immediately receive more detailed instructions. It is essential that names should be sent in as soon as possible, as the number of Companies required to be drawn from the different Battalions, to make up the fifteen required by Law, will of course depend on the number of Companies to be formed out of the Officers so volunteering.

Officers attending the Camp as Privates under this order, will be provided at the public expense with Uniforms as Privates, but are recommended to bring their own Uniform, as Officers, to be worn when not under instruction.

It is His Excellency's hope that many Officers will be desirous of availing themselves of the opportunity thus afforded them.

Fredericton, 7th June, 1865.

No. 33.

Captain Harry Moody, A. D. C., to act temporarily as Quarter Master General during the absence from Head Quarters of Lieutenant Colonel W. B. Robinson.

Captain Henry Jardine Hallowes, H. M. 15th Regiment, to act as Deputy Adjutant General of Militia, vice Major Charles C. Pye, resigned.