THE BATTALION.

Department of the College, and received his orders and instructions for conducting same.

This institution, unlike the others under my inspection, has a thorough military organization, is much stronger in numbers, and fewer young boys. All the details of the instruction are conducted on military principles and as has been stated in previous reports, is modeled, so far as practicable, on the plan of the U. S. Military Academy at West Point.

REVIEW.

The review was commanded by Lieut. Bartlett. It was accurate in form and detail. The military bearing and appearance was excellent. The march past, in both quick and double time, was well executed.

INSPECTION.

The battalion was then formed for inspection. The formation was promptly executed. Officers, non-commissioned officers, and band, assuming their position promptly and accurately. The general appearance was good. The arms and equipments were in good condition, and the uniforms neat.

BATTALION DRILL.

Following the inspection the battalion was formed for drill, commanded by Lieut. Bartlett. The drill was creditable throughout; adjutant, sergeant major, and guides, being prompt and accurate, as were also company commanders. The captains were successively called to command the battalion and each demonstrated his familiarity with the duty.

COMPANY DRILL.

Each company was successively drilled under the command of the captain; each company being assigned certain portions of the drill to execute, so that the whole authorized drill instruction should be covered, by the four companies, including the manual of arms, fire manual, bayonet exer-