

cipline of the mind, and the formation of a good physical constitution. Ease and grace of manners, kindness and courtesy in social intercourse, are matters of constant oversight. That education is more anxiously sought for the pupils, which has special reference to the best practical preparations for the duties of this life, and also to that moral and religious culture which will fit them for the life to come.

MILITARY.—The military system of drilling and discipline has been adapted to secure physical culture, promptness, decision of movement, erect carriage, submission to constituted authority, presence of mind, ability to govern, and the repression of the tendency to rudeness, natural to an assembly of boys. This department is thoroughly organized, affording an opportunity for obtaining a complete knowledge of the duties of the soldier and the officer. The full routine of a Military Post is constantly observed, with its Headquarters, Quartermaster, Commissary, and the other Departments. It is obligatory upon every cadet to attend the daily military exercises as a regular part of the Academic Course. Physical deformity and sickness are the only grounds of excuse.

The Academy is furnished with muskets and equipments suitable for the use of cadets, and a large armory for in-door and bayonet exercises.

The Company, Battalion, and Skirmish Drills are conducted according to Upton's Tactics.

The real object of military discipline is not to make soldiers only of the students, but to give them strength of body, vigor of constitution, and manliness of bearing; to fit them not merely for the field of battle, but for all employments and departments of life which demand vigor, energy, and endurance. The effects of the regular, daily, systematic drill under competent officers, in restoring to health and strength delicate, dyspeptic, and debilitated youths would be alone sufficient to assure us of its high utility. The promptness, accuracy, and general habits of order and precision to which cadets are trained, together with the steady cultivation of fidelity, honesty, and courtesy, as essential to military excellence, have also been found of incalculable value in fitting them for all professional and business pursuits.

The military drill *does not encroach upon study hours*, but occupies time usually given to recreation, which is often worse than wasted by students.

The Legislatre of the State of California passed an Act, February 20, 1872, in which provision is made:

1. To commission the Commandant of this Academy as Major in the National Guard of California, and—

2. To furnish the cadets with arms and accouterments.

UNIFORM.—The "fatigue" coat is a close-fitting gray cloth jacket, with black trimmings. The "dress" suit is a gray cloth frock coat, with black cloth cuffs, collar, and shoulder-piece extending from the seam of the collar to the end of the shoulder.