

# AUTHORITY.

# ANNO VICESIMO QUINTO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

#### CAP. XX.

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108. Limitation of Act.

Passed 23rd April 1862.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:-

1. The Provincial Militia shall be divided into two classes. Active and Sedentary.

### ACTIVE MILITIA.

2. The Active Militia shall consist of all the male inhabitants of the Province of the age of eighteen years and under forty five, not exempt or disqualified by law, and being British born or naturalized subjects.

3. The Active Militia shall be divided into three classes, to be called respectively Class A, Class B, and Class C. Class A shall consist of Volunteer Troops of Cavalry, Field Batteries, Foot Companies of Artillery, and Companies of Infantry armed as Riflemen, to be formed at places to be designated by the Commander in Chief. Class B shall consist of unmarried men and widowers without children, and Class C shall consist of married men and widowers with children.

4. Each Volunteer Troop of Cavalry, Company of Foot Artillery, or Company of Riflemen, shall consist of a Captain, a Lieutenant, a Cornet, second Lieutenant or Ensign, three Sergeants, three Corporals, a Trumpeter or Bugler, and not exceeding forty three Privates; except in Companies of Riflemen, wherein the number of privates shall not be less than forty, nor exceeding seventy five; and each Field Battery of Artillery shall consist of a Captain, two first Lieutenants, a second Lieutenant, a Sergeant Major, three Sergeants, three Corporals, three Bombardiers, a Trumpeter, a Farrier, fifty nine Gunners and Drivers,-including Wheelers, Collar Maker and Shoeing Smith, fifty six Horses, exclusive of Officers' horses, and of four spare horses when the Battery is called into actual service.

5. The Commander in Chief shall have full power to appoint Staff Officers of the Active Militia, with such rank as he shall, from time to time, think requisite or necessary for the efficiency of the Militia Service, and any such Staff Officers shall have such rank and authority in the Militia as are beld relatively in Her Majesty's Service, and their duties shall be the same for the Militia as prescribed for the Army by the Queen's Regulations.