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BY AUTHORITY.



By His Excellency The Honorable ARTHUR HAMILTON GORDON, C. M. G., Lieut. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

ARTHUR H. GORDON.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of this Province stands prorogued to Thursday the first day of September, I have thought fit further to prorogue the said General Assembly, and the same is hereby prorogued accordingly to Thursday the thirtieth day of October next.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Fredericton, the thirty first day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, and in the twenty eighth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

S. L. TILLEY.

MILITIA GENERAL ORDER.

HEAD QUARTERS, FREDERICTON, 7th September, 1864.

No. 30.

COMMISSIONS Signed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief:—

New Brunswick Regiment of Artillery.

William Cunard, Gent. to be 1st Lieut. 7th Sept. 1864.

George Garly, Gent. to be 2nd Lieut. 7th Sept. 1864.

Saint John City Light Infantry.

Peter Campbell, Gent. to be Ensign, 7th September '64.

Second Battalion Northumberland County Militia.

Captain Rowland Crocker to be Major, 7th Sept. 1864.

Second Battalion Carleton County Militia.

Lieut. John Hollon Estey to be Captain, 7th Sept. '64.

Ensign Samuel Richard Nevers, " 8th "

Simon Cummins, Gent. " 9th "

His Excellency has been pleased to permit the under-mentioned Officer to retire with the rank of Major:—

Third Battalion King's County Militia.

Captain John Wright.

The Richibucto Company of Volunteers having fallen below the strength required by Law, His Excellency has been pleased to dispense with its further services.

His Excellency the Commander in Chief, having observed that the recommendations for promotions and new Commissions are irregularly made, and also that some doubt exists as to the precedence of Officers, has been pleased to publish the following Rules based on Her Majesty's Regulations, and desires that they may be strictly adhered to:—

1st. All recommendations for promotions or appointments are to be forwarded through the Commanding Officers of Battalions to the Adjutant General of Militia, with the

regulated fee enclosed. The Adjutant General of Militia on obtaining the approval of His Excellency, will forward the fee and the necessary information to the Provincial Secretary, who will make out the Commission.

Should the appointment not be approved of, the fee will, of course, be returned.

2nd. As in the Regular Service, all Commissions will, in ordinary cases, be dated the day they are Gazetted, but when two or more Officers are in the same Gazette, of the same rank, and belong to the same Corps, an interval of one day will take place between their Commissions.

3rd. When Corps serve together, the Senior Officer commands the whole. Where Commissions are of the same date, and the Officers belong to different Corps, reference will be made to former Commissions, and in case the former Commissions should also be of the same date, or in the case of Ensigns, where there are none, precedence will be taken according to the seniority of the Corps as laid down in General Order 15th April 1863.

4th. Officers who are transferred from one Corps to another, go as the junior of their rank Regimentally, but retain their seniority in the Militia Force.

His Excellency has pleased to direct that the Competition for His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales' Challenge Cup, shall take place at the Range, Mount Fordham, near Fredericton, commencing on Friday the 30th instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The following Regulations will be adopted:—

1. Each Company of Class A of the Active Militia, may send one competitor for every six effective members.

2. There will be three ranges,—200, 300, and 400 yards; five shots will be fired at each range. The standing position will be adopted at the first two ranges, and kneeling (or standing) at the last.

3. Each competitor must obtain at least ten points in ten rounds at the first two ranges, in order to be qualified to fire at the last.

4. Ties in the number of points will, in the first instance, be settled by the number of hits. If hits as well as points are equal, by one shot at 400 yards.

5. As the recent Hythe Regulations have not been published in this Province, the firing will be conducted in the same manner as the last two years.

6. Each competitor will parade at the Camp, Mount Fordham, near Fredericton, on the 30th instant, at 9.30 A. M., in Uniform, with the Rifles and Accoutrements which have been issued to them by Government, and will receive Ammunition upon the ground.

7. Temporary discontinuance on account of bad weather to be at the discretion of the Officer conducting the practice.

8. An Umpire will be appointed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

The successful competitor for the Challenge Cup will receive either a Gold Medal or a Prize of Fifty Dollars, and other Prizes will be given to some of the best shots next in succession, in proportion to the numbers competing.

In addition to the Prizes offered to Volunteers, a Prize of thirty dollars will be offered to be competed for by Officers of the Militia, Class B and C. Officers must appear in the Uniform of their Battalion; and the names of intending competitors must be sent into the Adjutant General of