

6. One or more Volunteer Companies, as Sea Fencibles, may be formed in any County, City, or District, as the Commander in Chief may determine; each Company to consist of a Captain, a Lieutenant, a second Lieutenant, and fifty men; an Officer may be appointed to command the whole, who shall rank as a Lieutenant Colonel of Militia; Captains in the Sea Fencibles shall rank as Majors in the Militia, and first Lieutenants as Captains.

7. The Sea Fencibles shall be armed in such manner as the Commander in Chief may direct, and shall be trained and drilled as well to the use of small arms, as in the management of Gunboats and Vessels, and the working of guns on board of vessels.

8. Volunteer Companies of Engineers may be formed in each Military District; every such Company shall consist of a Captain, a Lieutenant, a second Lieutenant, and such number of men, not exceeding seventy five, as the Commander in Chief may direct; but such Companies shall not be subject to drill or service in time of peace.

9. Every Volunteer Company existing on the twenty second day of April in the present year, shall be held, for the purposes of this Act, to be still existing, and shall be continued as such, subject to all the provisions of this Act, unless its services are dispensed with by the Commander in Chief.

10. The uniforms of the several Troops of Cavalry, Field Batteries, and Volunteer Companies of Infantry, continued or organized under this Act, shall (except when exempted by special order), be of such colour, pattern, and design, as may be ordered by the Commander in Chief; provided that but one, and that a similar colour, pattern, and design, shall be approved for each of them respectively; and such Corps shall conform in all particulars to the orders of the Commander in Chief in reference thereto.

11. Commissioned Officers shall furnish their own arms and accoutrements.

12. The Commander in Chief shall from time to time direct the description of arms and accoutrements to be used by the non-commissioned officers and men of the several Volunteer Companies. Such arms and accoutrements shall be Provincial property, and shall not be taken out of the Province; and the officer or officers receiving them shall give a Bond to the Queen in such sum and with such sureties as the Commander in Chief may direct, for the safe keeping and good order thereof, and for the re-delivery thereof to such officer as may be appointed to receive them, whenever the Commander in Chief may direct such re-delivery.

13. The Commanding officer of every Volunteer Corps shall receive a sum not exceeding two dollars per head for every effective Member of such Corps, to provide for the proper care of such arms and accoutrements, and to meet the expenses of such Corps; but no person not an enrolled Member of the Corps, and who has not attended drill for the space of six months, and not less than fifteen times during that period, shall be considered an effective Member of such Corps.

14. No Corps of the Active Militia, and no non-commissioned officer or private thereof, shall at any time publicly appear armed or accoutred, except when *bona fide* at drill or target practice, or at reviews or inspections, or by order of the Commanding officer: provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any Corps of Class

A from assembling or being ordered out for drill or exercise by the Officer commanding it, according to any articles of engagement or regulations of such Corps approved by the Commander in Chief; and any such articles, so far as they are not inconsistent with this Act, shall be enforced, and the penalties thereby imposed may be recovered in the manner hereinafter mentioned, by the person designated for that purpose in such articles.

15. Sufficient ammunition for practice at drill and ball practice shall be supplied to the Volunteer Corps, at the expense of the Province; and proper ranges, with targets and butts for Rifle practice, may be provided at the like expense, in such manner and in such places as the Commander in Chief may direct.

16. The Commander in Chief shall from time to time appoint competent persons to instruct and drill the Active Militia, under such regulations as he may direct; which persons shall receive such remuneration as the Governor in Council may order.

17. The officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Volunteer Corps, while they continue such and perform their duty, shall be exempt from the payment of City, County, and Parish Rates and Taxes for the then current year, to the amount of six dollars; and a certificate under the hand of the Commanding officer of any such Corps, shall be sufficient evidence of the service in his Corps of any officer, non-commissioned officer, or man.

18. If any officer, non-commissioned officer, or man, shall be expelled or discharged from a Volunteer Corps, he shall be liable to the payment of his taxes, and to the performance of all other duties imposed by law, and from which he would have been otherwise exempt; and upon such expulsion or discharge, it shall be the duty of the officer in command of the Corps, to which such expelled or discharged person belongs, to make a return in writing of the name of such person to the proper Collector of Taxes within ten days after such expulsion or discharge, under a penalty of four dollars for each neglect; and it shall thereupon be the duty of such Collector forthwith to collect from such person such sum of money as he would have been liable to pay if he had not belonged to a Volunteer Corps, performing drill and exercise as aforesaid.

19. No officer, non-commissioned officer or man of any Company in Class A, shall in any case, unless legally discharged, leave the same without giving two months notice in writing to the Commanding officer thereof, of his intention so to do; nor shall he at any time leave the same contrary to the engagement contained in any articles of engagement signed by him, under a penalty of twenty dollars in the case of an officer, and five dollars in the case of a non-commissioned officer or private. The term of engagement shall not be less than two years; but the Commanding officer of any Volunteer Corps may at any time expel from his Company any non-commissioned officer or man who shall be guilty of improper conduct or inattention to duty; provided that the person expelled may within six days thereafter appeal in writing to the Lieutenant Colonel or Commanding officer of the Battalion or Regiment to which he belonged at the time of his expulsion; and it shall be the duty of such Lieutenant Colonel, or Commanding officer, without delay, to appoint a Board of three officers, not connected with the Company to which such expelled person belonged, to investigate the matter and report thereon to