

Corps at the expense of the Province, but shall always remain Provincial Property and the parties receiving them shall be accountable for them ; and the Commander in Chief may direct such security as he may think proper to be taken for the safe-keeping in good order of such Arms and Accoutrements, and the re-delivery thereof to such Officer as may be appointed to receive them, whenever the Commander in Chief shall for any purpose direct such re-delivery.

The said arms and accoutrements shall be renewed and kept in repair at the cost of the Province whenever such renewal or repair shall become necessary from wear in service or other cause than the fault or neglect of the person having charge thereof, in which last named case they may be renewed or repaired by such person, or if renewed or repaired at the cost of the Province the cost may be recovered from such person as a debt due by him to the Crown.

The arms and accoutrements of non-commissioned officers and men of Volunteer Companies shall be kept by them, except in cases where the Commander in Chief shall direct them to be kept in Armouries, as he may do ; in which case if there be no Public Armoury in which he shall direct them to be kept the Captain of the Company shall provide a proper place and may be allowed annually a sum not exceeding five pounds for so doing and for taking care of such arms and accoutrements

Commissioned Officers of the said Companies shall furnish their own arms and accoutrements.

The Volunteer Militia Companies shall be drilled and exercised at such time in each year and at such places as the Commander in Chief may from time to time appoint ; the Volunteer Field Batteries being so drilled and exercised during twenty days in each year, of which twenty days ten shall be continuous, and the other *Volunteer Corps once in each year during ten continuous days*, Sundays not reckoned in either case,) and the Companies under drill being encamped during the whole or any part of the period for drill, if the Commander in Chief shall see fit.

The Adjutant General shall draw up, under the direction of the Commander in Chief, a code of instruction and drill,

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