

person to whom they have been issued give Bond for their safe keeping and return.

Bonds to be lodged with the Clerks of the Peace.

Person giving Bond may keep the arms while he continues in the Company.

on leaving the Company to deliver the arms to the Captain, &c. who shall give him a receipt.

Arms, &c. lent by Government, being fold, disposed of, or conveyed away, offender to forfeit 10l.

Arms, &c. called for to be delivered into the King's Stores, deficiencies to be paid for out of the Province Treasury.

Persons furnished with arms by Government not to use them for any other purpose than that for which they were supplied, under penalty of 10s.

Fines to be recovered before a Justice of Peace, and levied by Warrant of distress.

penalties applied half to the prosecutor, residue for repairing arms, &c.

overplus, if any, as other uses, for want of effects to levy the fine of 10l. offender to be imprisoned not more than six nor less than three months, and in lieu of the last fine of 10s. as many days.

powered and required to take into their possession all such arms and accoutrements, except where the person to whom they have been or shall be issued, shall give Bond with sufficient surety to our Sovereign Lord the KING in the penalty of *five pounds* conditioned for the safe keeping and return of the said arms and accoutrements; which Bonds so given shall be lodged with the Clerks of the Peace in the respective Counties; who are hereby required to receive and file the same in their respective Offices; which person so giving Bond as aforesaid, shall be intitled to keep possession of such arms and accoutrements while he continues in the same Company; and in case of the removal of any such person from such Company, his arms and accoutrements shall be returned to the Captain or other Officer commanding the said Company, who shall give a receipt for the same to the person so delivering the said arms: And if any person having such arms or accoutrements in his possession shall vend, pledge or exchange the same, or any part thereof (without leave of the Officer commanding the Company to which such person belongs) or shall convey or cause the same or any part thereof to be conveyed out of the Province, or shall convey or cause the same to be conveyed on board any Boat, Ship or Vessel with intent to have the same carried out of the Province, or if the Master of such Boat, Ship or Vessel shall wilfully receive into his Boat, Ship or Vessel any such arms or accoutrements so intended to be conveyed out of the Province, or if any person shall purchase the said arms, every person so offending shall for each and every offence forfeit and pay the sum of *ten pounds*: And in case the said arms and accoutrements shall at any time be called for to be delivered into His MAJESTY'S Stores, all deficiencies shall be paid for out of the Treasury of the Province, excepting such arms and accoutrements as shall have been lost on actual service against an enemy.

VIII. *And be it further enacted*, That no person who has been or may hereafter be furnished with arms, accoutrements or ammunition by Government, shall use the same for any other purpose than that for which they have been supplied, under a penalty of *ten shillings* for each and every offence, which fines shall be recovered upon conviction before any one Justice of the Peace upon the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, and levied by Warrant of distress and sale of the offenders goods, rendering the overplus, if any, after deducting the costs and charges of such distress and sale to the offender, one half of which penalties shall be paid to the person who shall prosecute for the same, and the other half be applied to the purpose of defraying the expences incurred in repairing such arms and accoutrements, and making good any deficiency which from unavoidable accident may have happened to such arms and accoutrements; the overplus, if any, to be appropriated as other fines incurred by the provisions of this Act, and for want of effects whereon to levy the said fine of *ten pounds*, such offender shall be imprisoned not exceeding six nor less than three months, and in lieu of the said last mentioned fine of *ten shillings*, not more than six nor less than three days.