

THE DEFENCE FORCE.

"The Defence Force shall consist of the Naval and Military Forces of the Commonwealth, and shall be divided into two branches, called the Permanent Forces and the Citizen Forces.

SCHOOL FOR INSTRUCTIONAL N. C. O's.

"21B. A Special School of Instruction shall be established for the training of an instructional staff of non-commissioned officers, and all future appointments of persons to act as instructors shall be made from amongst those who have, at the close of the prescribed course, satisfied the Chief of the General Staff, or some person duly appointed by him, that they are competent. Provided that persons who have acted as instructors in the British army, or who, having served in the British army, satisfy the Chief of the General Staff that they have the necessary qualifications, may be appointed without passing through such course."

LIABILITY FOR WAR SERVICE.

59.—All male inhabitants of Australia (excepting those who are exempt from service in the Defence Force) who have resided therein for six months and are British subjects and are between the ages of 18 and 60 years shall, in time of war, be liable to serve in the Citizen Forces.

"PART XII—UNIVERSAL OBLIGATION IN RESPECT OF NAVAL OR MILITARY TRAINING.

125.—All male inhabitants of Australia (excepting those who are exempted by this Act), who have resided therein for six months, and are British subjects, shall be liable to be trained, as prescribed, as follows:—

- (a) From 12 years to 14 years of age, in the Junior Cadets; and
- (b) From 14 to 18 years of age, in the Senior Cadets; and
- (c) From 18 to 25 years of age, in the Citizen Forces; and
- (d) From 25 to 26 years of age, in the Citizen Forces;

"Provided that, except in time of imminent danger of war, service under paragraph (d) shall be limited to one registration or one muster-parade.

126.—(1.) The training in the Junior Cadets shall begin on the first day of July in the year in which the persons liable reach the age of 12 years, and shall continue for 2 years;

"Provided that, in the case of persons who reach the age of 13 years in the year in which this part commences, the training shall begin on the first day of July in that year, and continue for 1 year.

"(2.) The training in the Senior Cadets shall begin on the first day of July in the year in which the persons liable reach the age of 14 years, and shall continue for 4 years;

"Provided that, in the case of persons who reach the age of