

are exempt from ransom, how difficulties about pay are to be settled, what money is required during imprisonment for subsistence, how officers are to be treated, parole, reciprocal payment of expenditures by all belligerents, accounts, record of prisoners taken and exchanged, return of prisoners, regulations concerning small parties taken in arms—to prevent desertion and guerilla tactics—the care of wounded and sick, the lodgment of prisoners, passports, notification of capture; and, further, forbids the enlistment of prisoners and the use of prohibited munitions. Forty-one years later, after Dettingen, definite arrangements were made “that the hospitals on both sides should be considered as sanctuaries.”

An interesting point in connection with capitulations and the exchange of prisoners is to be found in accounts of the siege of Cracov. When Suvorov captured the castle, part of the garrison consisted of French soldiers. But, at the time, there was officially no war between the powers of France and Russia; therefore it was ruled “no exchange of prisoners can take place,” and according to the articles of capitulation the Frenchmen had to “surrender themselves only as prisoners, but not as prisoners of war.” Another thing to note is that in nearly every case of cartel or treaty it is agreed that prisoners should not be retained for more than a fortnight. At the end of the fourteen days they must be released, even if the total sum owing as ransom were not paid. The twentieth century has not entirely dismissed the notion of sale and purchase. “We prisoners are their assets, their gold reserve, their pawns and chips in the game,” wailed the anonymous author of “As the Hague Ordains.” “We are as good for exchange and quotations as bonds or gold. Oh! God! to think I—I myself—my own poor body has its daily market value in this stock-gamble of nations!” The personal gain has been transferred entirely from the individual victor to the State; for war, once an individual matter, became a State affair. The tendency of this at first was to rule out the non-combatants in operations of war more fully even than previously