shall be such as the Commander-in-Chief shall from time to time direct, but of the best and most serviceable kind, without unnecessary ornament; such arms and accoutrements shall be furnished to the non-commissioned officers and privates of the said Volunteer 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.

Repairing of Arms, &c.

Sec. 28. 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 shall 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.