

days' confinement to barracks for serious offences which they are forbidden to dispose of summarily ; or suppress all record for such offences ; or, worse still, fabricate false documents in order to hoodwink their superiors. No mercy should be shown to such men ; if detected, they should be summarily removed from their commands, for every hour they remain aggravates the evil, and adds to their successor's difficulties. And detection is not so difficult as it might seem at first sight, as, for instance, when there is a total absence of recorded crime in a regiment, and yet unpleasant rumours are afloat regarding its discipline ; be on the alert ; where there is smoke there is fire. The general appearance and conduct of the men in public, will sometimes give a valuable clue ; and their conduct when detached from headquarters, especially if not serving under their own officers, is often one of the best indications of the discipline of a regiment. Entries in defaulters sheets, and how crime is generally disposed of, is, perhaps, the most damaging evidence of faults being improperly dealt with. If, immediately following the departure of a commanding officer, there be a serious outbreak of crime in a regiment, it may as a rule be safely attributed to concealment, for it takes time to demoralize a regiment when it is in a high state of discipline. Many an excellent officer, succeeding one who has habitually concealed, or permitted the concealment of crime, suffers in reputation. Unexpected difficulties crop up on all sides ; perhaps every man's hand is against him, and even the officers themselves, though not directly opposing him, may not lend him that cordial support which he has a right to expect from them. Although naturally humane, he feels that, for a time at least, any show of leniency will be looked upon as a sign of weakness ; hence fairly good men—and even good men, for indulgences have to be curtailed—suffer alike with the evil-doers. Application after application for courts-martial have to be submitted, and the defaulters become alarmingly numerous. Suddenly the authorities awaken to the fact that the discipline of the regiment is rotten, but, ignorant of the cause, they censure, and perhaps disgrace the wrong man.

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