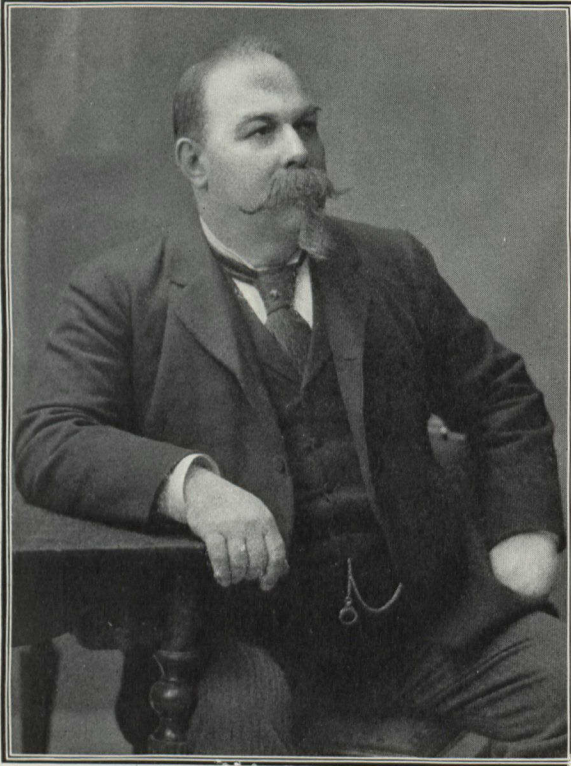




COL. LOUIS FELIX PINAULT
Deputy Minister of Militia and Defence

He has special charge of the administration of all contracts, in consultation with the branches specially concerned.

The Accountant has the consideration and compilation, in concert with the various branches, of the annual estimates. He gives financial advice to these branches and audits the accounts. The Accountant, who, as a member of the Council, is responsible to the Minister for the duties assigned to him in the same manner and to the same extent as are the other members for the duties assigned to them, is, under the Civil Service Act, under the control of the Deputy Minister. This involves an apparent anomaly, though not of great importance, and will no doubt in time be rectified.

PROCEDURE OF THE COUNCIL.

The Militia Council meets once a week. The discussions are of the fullest and freest description. A complete record of the proceedings, including the

views expressed by different members, is kept by the Secretary but in a secret form accessible to members only. The decisions are the decisions of the Minister in Militia Council, and are recorded in the proceedings as such, and also in the file of papers on the subject.

The business which is brought before the Council are questions which the Minister desires to refer for the advice of his Council, and, in addition, any matter upon which the Member charged with the administration of such matters may wish to obtain the opinion of Council and the decision of the Minister. Members send to the Secretary, not later than two days before the Council meets, the papers relating to the subjects to be brought up in Council by them, together with a brief statement of each case.



COL. BEAUFORT HENRY VIDAL
Adjutant-General