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BILL.

[1863.

An Act respecting the Militia.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Preamble.
Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

1. The Governor shall, by virtue of his Office, be Com- Governor to be
5 mander in Chief of the Canadian Militia. Commander in Chief.

2. The Canadian Militia shall be divided into two classes, Two classes of
that is to say : the Volunteers and the Enrolled Militia. Militia.

2. The Commander in Chief may call out the Volunteers Governor may
or Enrolled Militia or any part thereof for actual service, call out Militia.
10 whenever it is in his opinion advisable so to do, by reason of
war, invasion or insurrection, or imminent danger of any of
them ; but the Volunteers shall always be the first taken for
actual service, or imminent danger or emergency. Volunteers to
be first taken.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

3. The Volunteers may consist of Troops of Cavalry, Mili- Of what corps
15 tary Train, Field Batteries of Artillery, Garrison Batteries of Volunteers may
Artillery, Companies of Engineers, and Battalions or Compa- consist, &c.
nies of Rifles and of Infantry, and Naval Companies, to be
armed and equipped according to their respective services,
and to be formed at such places and in such manner as may
20 from time to time be ordered by the Commander in Chief.

4. All Companies or Battalions of Volunteers shall be Power to dis-
formed and may be disbanded by authority of the Commander band Volun-
in Chief, as may in his opinion best tend to further the pur- teers.
poses of this Act and the public good.

5. Each Troop of Cavalry, Military Train, Garrison Battery Force of Volun-
25 of Artillery, Company of Engineers, or Rifles, or Infantry, teer companies
shall consist, according to its respective service, of a Captain, respectively,
a Lieutenant, a Cornet, Second Lieutenant or Ensign, three Cavalry and
Serjeants, three Corporals, a Trumpeter or Bugler, and Infantry.
30 exceeding forty-eight Privates, except in cases where the
Commander in Chief may specially sanction a greater number
of Privates not exceeding seventy-five :