

by him paid to the receiver general, and become portion of the consolidated revenue of the province, and in such case another man shall be drafted in his stead.

53. Men of the regular force shall serve for a period of three years.

Length of service of men of regular force.

54. To each battalion of the regular force a permanent staff shall be appointed, consisting of one adjutant and one staff serjeant-major.

Permanent staff of battalions.

55. The adjutant of a regular battalion shall be under the orders of the commanding officer of his battalion, shall have charge of all arms, clothing, ammunition, books, rolls, and other documents, belonging to the whole active militia within the regimental division to which his battalion belongs and within which he shall reside; he shall be responsible that all vacancies in the active field batteries, troops, or companies, are filled up as they occur; he shall undertake the official correspondence relating both to the sedentary and active militia of his division; he shall be instructed to encourage the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of his battalion, to drill and practise with the rifle, in their leisure hours throughout the year, and afford every assistance in his power to any men who may wish to qualify themselves as officers or to receive military instruction; he shall act as paymaster of his regimental division; and perform all such other services as may be, from time to time, ordered by the commander-in-chief.

Duties of adjutant of a regular battalion.

56. The staff serjeant-major, under the control of the adjutant, shall have the immediate charge of the arms, accoutrements, knapsacks and other stores, of his battalion and of the field batteries or troops attached to it; and shall be employed in drilling and instructing the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of his battalion; shall act as clerk to the adjutant, and perform such other services as shall be ordered by the commanding officer of his battalion.

Duties of staff serjeant-major.

57. The officers and non-commissioned officers of the permanent staff, mentioned in the two next preceding clauses, shall be appointed by the commander-in-chief for five years only, at the termination of which period they will be eligible for re-appointment to a battalion in another district, and the commander-in-chief may remove, at pleasure, any officer or non-commissioned officer of such staff, and cancel the commission or appointment thereof respectively.

Length of period of appointment of permanent staff, and re-appointment.

No. 3.—THE RESERVE FORCE.

58. Men of the regular force shall, at the expiration of their term of service, pass into the reserve force, and continue to be enrolled in that force for a farther period of three years.

How reserve force constituted, and period of service.

59. Officers shall be appointed to the reserve force in the same proportions, and in the same manner and under the same provisions, as herein-before contained in reference to the volunteer and regular militia.

Officers of reserve force.

PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE VOLUNTEER AND REGULAR FORCE.

60. Every volunteer and regular militiaman shall sign a service roll in which the conditions of his service shall be stated.

Service rolls to be signed.

61. A gratuity of forty dollars may be paid to any serjeant of the volunteer or regular force, who, at the expiration of his first term of service in the active militia, has re-engaged and served for a farther period of five years in the volunteer force, or seven years in the regular force.

Gratuity to serjeants re-engaged for a second period of service.

62. Any serjeant who may retire at the expiration of his first term of service, may be replaced by any corporal who has completed his first period of service, such promoted corporal to receive the same grant at the expiration of his ten years service; provided always, that the above mentioned re-engagements, in both cases shall be subject to the approval of the commanding officer of the corps or battalion.

Promotion of corporals.

63. Any man desiring to change his residence to another regimental division, shall communicate his intention to the commanding officer of his corps or battalion, and shall obtain from him a certificate of service, a duplicate of which shall be sent to the commanding officer of the active battalion belonging to the regimental division to which the man is removed, and he will be called upon to complete his term of service in that division, and should he fail to present himself at the first muster in the corps or battalion to which he is removed, he shall (unless he can satisfactorily account for his absence) be liable to be drafted for a full period of service, without reference to his former service.

Volunteer or regular militiamen changing residence.

64. Any man who may require to leave the country, shall also obtain from his commanding officer a certificate of service, and should he return within a period of ten years, he may on production of such certificate be allowed to complete his period of service, otherwise he shall be liable to be drafted for full period.

Volunteer or regular militiamen leaving the country.

65. All men who shall have completed their three years service in the regular force, and three years in the reserve force, shall be placed at the bottom of the list of men between eighteen and forty-five years of age, in the regimental division, and shall not be liable again to be drafted until every man above them on the list shall have served; and each man at the expiration of his service shall be furnished with a certificate of service.

Procedure at expiration of three years' service.

66. All vacancies in the volunteer force and regular battalions of active militia shall be filled up as they occur, and in the case of regular battalions they shall be filled up according to the provisions of the fiftieth clause of this Act.

Vacancies to be filled up at once.

67. In time of war no man shall be required to serve in the field continuously for a longer period than one year, but any man who volunteers to serve for the war or for any longer period than one year shall be compelled to fulfil his engagement; provided that the commander-in-chief may, in cases of unavoidable necessity (of which necessity he shall be the sole judge), call upon any volunteer or regular militiaman to continue to serve beyond his period of general service, or voluntary engagement, or beyond his one year's service in the field, for any period not exceeding six months.

Period of active service in the field limited to one year.