

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Section I.—Organization and Establishment.

1 The Ceylon Defence Force is raised under the Defence Force Ordinance, No. 8 of 1910 (*vide* Appendix A), and is subject to the provisions of that Ordinance and any amendments thereto, and to these regulations made under section 12 of the Ordinance.

2 The Defence Force is composed of—

(a) Active Corps :—

Artillery.
Engineers.
Mounted Rifles.
Infantry.
Supply and Transport.
Medical Corps.
Band.

(b) Reserve :—

Officers and men to provide a reserve for each Corps.

(c) Ceylon Cadet Battalion.

(d) General Reserve.

3 Proposals for the raising of new units, for increase or variations of establishments, or changes in distribution, will be submitted by the Commandant through the Officer Commanding Troops, Ceylon, for the decision of the Governor.

4 The establishments of the several units are given in Appendix B.

5 A Corps is liable to be disbanded or to be reduced in establishment by order of the Governor.

Section II.—Duties.

6 The Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, is responsible to the Governor for the inspection of the several units of the Ceylon Defence Force at least once in every year, and for submitting to the approval of the Governor regulations for the efficiency of the Force, for the promotion, appointment, and rank of officers, and for the general government, discipline, and maintenance of the Defence Force.

The Commandant is responsible to the Governor for the administration, discipline, and efficiency of the Force; for the compilation of the necessary estimates; for the economical control of all expenditure, whether money, supplies, or stores; and for the arrangements for the mobilization of the Force when necessary.

8 The Staff Officer will assist the Commandant in promoting the military efficiency of the Force, especially with regard to the education of officers, including the following subjects :—Training and Instruction, Education and Examination, Staff Tours and Regimental Exercises.

The financial duties of the Staff Officer as Paymaster and Accountant of the Force will be carried out strictly in accordance with the Financial Orders of the Ceylon Government. He will be liable at any time to be called on to produce the balance of public money in his possession.

9 The Quartermaster, Ceylon Defence Force, will carry out the duties allotted to him by the Commandant. He is charged with the supervision of the following :—

**Stores and Material in Camp and on Mobilization.
Sanitation of Camp.**

9A The Civil Master Armourer, Ceylon Defence Force, will carry out the duties allotted to him by the Commandant. He is responsible for the supervision and repairs of all arms, signalling equipment, &c., on charge of the Ceylon Defence Force and is responsible to the Commandant for their maintenance in a good condition.

He will train and recommend for appointment or discharge all arms-cleaners.

10 Officers Commanding units are responsible for the maintenance of discipline, efficiency, and proper system in their units. They will supervise and control all duties performed by those under their command, and will be responsible for arms, equipment, and stores appertaining to their Corps, for the proper messing of their men in camp, as well as for the proper application of a l regimental funds and expenditure.

Officers Commanding units will cause regimental rules to be framed for the guidance of all concerned, and will submit them to the Commandant for the approval of His Excellency the Governor.

They are responsible for the systematic and efficient instruction of their officers, and will bring to the notice of the Commandant both those officers who distinguish themselves in proficiency and those who by incapacity, apathy, or otherwise do not contribute to the efficiency or credit of the Corps.

11 Squadron and company officers are responsible to their Commanding Officers for the training of their men, the proper care of all public stores in their charge, and the sanitation of their men in camp.

12 An Adjutant or Acting Adjutant is appointed as Staff Officer to the Officer Commanding unit, and will issue his orders. He will not command the Corps, except for the purpose of instruction or when specially ordered.

An Adjutant is responsible to the Officer Commanding for the proper maintenance of all official books, documents, and returns, and will exercise a general supervision over the whole administration of the unit. He will, under the orders of the Officer Commanding, visit the outstations of the Corps frequently for purposes of instruction and the inspection of arms and stores.

The Adjutant is required to keep a diary of the duties performed and instruction imparted by him, and must on no account enter in the diary any drill at which he did not personally attend, as the diary is intended merely as a record of duties performed by him. If absent on leave, the period of absence should be stated in the diary.

The presentation of testimonials to Adjutants, either directly or indirectly, is strictly prohibited.

13 Instructors will attend to the drill and instruction of their units as ordered, and will in addition perform any military duties which usually devolve on a non-commissioned officer. They will not be employed in receiving or disbursing public money or Corps funds without the special sanction of the Commandant.

Section III.—Officers.**(a) APPOINTMENT.****(i.) First Commission.**

14 Candidates for first commission must be British subjects of not less than eighteen years of age. Commanding Officers will submit the names of candidates whom they recommend to the Commandant for the approval of the Governor. The recommendation must be accompanied by a medical certificate as to fitness, by a satisfactory certificate of good moral conduct, and by a return showing the name, age, height, residence, place of education, and the occupation or profession of the candidate. Candidates who have previous service, either as commissioned officers or in the ranks, will forward particulars of their service and their certificates or discharge papers with their applications.

15 Where vacancies exist in the rank of Lieutenant, additional Second Lieutenants may be appointed, provided the total establishment of subalterns is not exceeded.

16 Officers on receiving their commissions are required to take the oath of allegiance, notwithstanding that they may have already taken that oath on enrolment as soldiers of the Defence Force.

16 A Officers on receiving their first commission will be granted allowances for purchase of kit, on production of a certificate signed by the Commanding Officer of their unit that they are in possession of the necessary kit prescribed in their Regimental Rules, as follows :—

	Rs.
C.M.R.	450
C.G.A., C.E., C.L.I., C.P.R.C., C.S. & T., & C.M.C.	300
C.C.B.	150

The Officers of the Ceylon Cadet Battalion before receiving this grant must sign an agreement form as laid down in Appendix G.

(ii.) Command and Staff.

17 The Commandant will be appointed for a term of four years from regular officers on the list of Lieutenant-Colonels, half-pay or retired pay.

18 The Staff Officer, Ceylon Defence Force, will be a Senior Captain appointed for a term of three years from regular officers on the list of Captains.

19 The selection for the appointment of Quartermaster to the Ceylon Defence Force will be made by the Commandant, who will forward his recommendation to the Governor for approval.

20 Appointments as Adjutant will be made for a period of three years, with an extension of not more than two years, from the list of regular Captains. All Adjutants will be appointed by the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, from the officers serving in the Garrison.

(iii.) Commanding Officers.

Appointments to the command of a unit will be made for a period of three years. Two months before the expiration of the term of a Commanding Officer's appointment the Commandant will report the approaching vacancy to the Governor through the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, with a recommendation for either an extension (not exceeding twelve years in all) or the selection of a suitable officer.

(iv.) *Miscellaneous.*

22 Officers of the Medical Corps and Veterinary Officers will be gazetted to the rank of Lieutenant on appointment.

23 Nominations as Chaplains will be made by the recognized governing body of the denominations to the Commandant who will take the Governor's pleasure therein. Chaplains will rank as Captains from the date of their appointment.

24 Quartermasters will be appointed on the recommendation of Officers Commanding units, and will be granted rank as follows:—On appointment, Lieutenant; after eight years' commissioned service, Captain; after fifteen years' commissioned service, Major.

25 Officers appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Governor or Orderly Officer to the Officer Commanding the Troops will hold the appointments during His Excellency's pleasure.

26 Honorary Colonels will be allowed as follows:—One for each unit consisting of two companies (or equivalent units) or more. Except the Colonelcy-in-Chief of the Ceylon Defence Force, which is held by His Majesty the King, the appointment of Honorary Colonel will be held for five years, renewable on the application of the Commanding Officer. Recommendation for these appointments will be made through the Commandant for submission to the Governor.

(b) PRECEDENCE.

27 The arms of the Force rank in the following order:—

Artillery.	|	Ceylon Supply and Transport Corps.
Engineers.		Medical Corps.
Mounted Rifles.		Cadets.
Infantry.		

Corps will rank together in each arm according to date of formation, but the C. P. R. C. will be on the left flank of the Brigade when the Force is in Brigade (in accordance with paragraph 877 (ii.), King's Regulations, 1923).

28 Officers of the Ceylon Defence Force will rank as the junior of their degree with Regular or Army Reserve Officers. Army Reserve Officers serving in the Ceylon Defence Force will not avail themselves of their reserve commissions, except when recalled to service by the Army Council.

28 A Officers must recognize that, as long as they are in the Ceylon Defence Force, the rank to which they are entitled under Army Order 376/1918 is in abeyance, and they must assume any rank to which they are appointed.

29 The precedence of officers in the Ceylon Defence Force is determined by their rank and the dates of appointment or promotion to that rank in the Force; of officers of different units in the same rank and appointed to that rank on the same date, by the date of their next lower rank; of officers in the same unit in the same rank and appointed to that rank on the same date, by the order in which their names appear in the Army List. An officer holding honorary rank in the Ceylon Cadet Battalion will, except in his battalion, rank junior to all commissioned officers of the Ceylon Defence Force.

30 An Adjutant will rank regimentally as Senior Captain in the Corps to which he is appointed.

(c) PROMOTION.

31 Promotion will, except where otherwise stated, be governed by establishment, and will, as a rule, be given to qualified officers according to regimental seniority; but in the interests of particular units it may be necessary to appoint

or promote officers who are not next in seniority, or who have not served in the lower ranks. The qualifications necessary for promotion are set forth in Section VII.

32 Recommendations for promotion will be forwarded to the Commandant, who, in forwarding the same to His Excellency, will state in each case whether the officer is fully qualified or not

33 When recommending an appointment or promotion by which any officer will be superseded, the Commanding Officer will state in writing the circumstances which have led to such recommendation, and that the officer or officers concerned have been so informed. It is the prerogative of the Governor to antedate a promotion on satisfactory representations being made by the Commandant.

34 The Governor's approval of appointments, promotions, transfers, secondings, restorations to establishment, removals, and retirements, and his acceptance of the resignation of officers of the Ceylon Defence Force will be notified in the *Government Gazette* from the date of which such appointments, promotions, &c., take effect.

(d) TRANSFERS AND EXCHANGES.

35 Applications for transfers will be submitted to the Commandant by the Officer Commanding the unit to which the officer wishes to be transferred, accompanied by the recommendation of the Officer Commanding the unit from which the officer wishes to be transferred.

36 Applications for exchange will be severally submitted by the Commanding Officers of the two units concerned.

37 An officer can only be transferred to another unit provided that a vacancy exists in its establishment for an officer of his rank, and that there is no supernumerary officer of the rank who is available for absorption into the unit.

(e) SUPERNUMERARY AND SECONDED OFFICERS.

38 Supernumerary officers may be appointed on the same procedure as detailed in paragraph 14, at the Governor's pleasure, in the event of there being no vacancies in units of the Ceylon Defence Force. As vacancies occur supernumerary officers will be absorbed into the establishment of their unit and, while they are awaiting absorption, their service will be allowed to reckon for promotion and towards the grant of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officer's Decoration.

39 An officer may be seconded in his unit for a period of four years if employed in any special appointment approved by the Governor.

(f) RETIREMENT AND RESIGNATION.

40 Officers, except Honorary Colonels and Chaplains, will be retired from the Ceylon Defence Force on reaching the age of sixty, and may be granted permission to retain their rank and wear the uniform of their Corps (with the addition of "R" on shoulder straps) if specially recommended after not less than fifteen years' commissioned service. An extension of service beyond sixty years of age may be granted to a Commanding Officer by the Governor on the recommendation of the Commandant, with the concurrence of the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon.

41 The application of an officer to resign his commission will be forwarded by his Commanding Officer through the Commandant to the Governor. No officer is released from his obligations until His Excellency's acceptance of his resignation has appeared in the *Government Gazette*.

42 When a death occurs amongst the officers of a Corps, the Commanding Officer will report the fact at once to the Commandant for the information of the Governor. The death of a Commanding Officer will be reported by the officer next in command.

(g) HONORARY RANK.

43 If recommended by the Commandant through the Officer Commanding Troops to His Excellency the Governor, steps of honorary rank on retirement, and the right to wear uniform on certain special occasions, may be granted to Officers of the Ceylon Defence Force, subject to the conditions, hereinafter laid down:—

- (1) The privilege will be granted only to those officers who have completed a minimum aggregate period of six months' commissioned service, which shall reckon from the date of first appointment as announced in the *Ceylon Government Gazette*, except that in the case of Officers who served in the Ceylon Defence Force as enrolled soldiers prior to being appointed to commissioned rank, half of such service in the ranks will be allowed to count towards the qualifying period of six months' service required.
- (2) It must be certified that the officer's services were good and satisfactory, and that he was qualified to hold his rank. On instructions being given by the Colonial Government, a certificate to this effect will be rendered in respect of each officer by the Commanding Officer under whom he served or, if impracticable, by a senior officer of his unit fully cognizant of his service. In the case of Officers Commanding units, the certificate will be rendered by the Commandant; in the case of the latter officer, the certificate may be dispensed with.
- (3) The honorary rank accorded will be the rank which the officer concerned held on relinquishing his commission, or any higher rank the Commandant may recommend.
- (4) An officer who relinquished his Defence Force Commission on joining His Majesty's Forces for full time service will be eligible for honorary rank and the right to wear uniform under this order, provided he has completed the necessary period of six months' qualifying service, but he will not be entitled to make use of the privilege until after the relinquishment of any commission which he may subsequently have held, or after final discharge from such forces.
- (5) An officer resigning or relinquishing his commission on account of misconduct or by reason of any adverse report will not be eligible for the grant of honorary rank and the right to wear uniform.
- (6) Until further orders uniform may only be worn by an officer granted the privilege under this order when he is employed in a military capacity or on ceremonial occasions of a military nature. In either case the letters C. R. (Ceylon Reserve) will be worn on the collar of the service dress jacket below the collar badges.

Section IV.—Other Ranks.

(a) ENROLMENT.

44 Recruiting will be carried out under the authority of Officers Commanding units up to the authorized establishment. Beyond these numbers authority to enrol supernumeraries will be obtained through the Commandant.

45 The age for enrolment for all arms will be eighteen to forty years; the other requirements and standard are given in Appendix D. Every recruit will be required to pass a medical examination by an officer of the Ceylon Medical Corps or other specially appointed Medical Officer.

46 Boys between twelve and seventeen years of age may be enrolled as trumpeters, buglers, or bandsmen or for the purpose of being trained as such. The number of boys in excess of the establishment of trumpeters or buglers will not exceed two for each squadron or company, and the number of boys acting as bandsmen, or being trained as such, will not exceed twelve for the Force.

47 The following are not allowed to enrol :—

- (a) Men already engaged to serve in the Imperial Forces or their Reserves.
- (b) Men who have been discharged from the above for misconduct.
- (c) Men who have been convicted of a serious offence by the Civil Power.
- (d) Foreigners.
- (e) Apprentices (unless the consent of their masters has been obtained).

48 The period for which a soldier of the Defence Force agrees to serve on enrolment, or for which he agrees to continue in the service, shall be provided for by regimental rules, subject to the rights of soldiers of the Defence Force under the Defence Force Ordinance.

49 Recruits will take the oath of allegiance on being enrolled, and in addition will sign an agreement binding himself to observe the regimental rules of the Corps.

50 Non-commissioned officers and men will be allotted regimental numbers which will be retained by them when transferred to the reserve of their units.

51 A transfer from one Corps of the Force to another must be recommended by both Commanding Officers and approved by the Commandant.

(b) **WARRANT OFFICERS AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.**

52 Warrant officers and non-commissioned officers will be appointed by the Officers Commanding units on the written recommendation of the company, &c., commander. They will take precedence as junior of their rank when serving with the Regular Forces.

53 Promotion will be made by Commanding Officers on the recommendation of company, &c., commanders, subject to the warrant officer or non-commissioned officer qualifying for the next higher rank by the next annual camp.

54 Lance-sergeants and lance-corporals may be appointed by the Commanding Officer when the duties of the Corps require it, in the proportion of two lance-sergeants and four lance-corporals for every company or equivalent unit.

55 A warrant officer or non-commissioned officer may be reduced by order of the Commandant on the application of the Commanding Officer, for inefficiency as a warrant officer or non-commissioned officer, or may be allowed with his Commanding Officer's consent to revert to a lower grade or to the ranks.

(c) **DISCHARGE.**

56 Discharges will be carried out by the Officers Commanding units, as follows :—

(i.) Without reference to superior authority—

- (a) On termination of engagement.
- (b) On reaching the age limit of fifty years (unless the sanction of the Commandant has been obtained for continuance in the Force).
- (c) At his own request.
- (d) Unsatisfactory conduct.

(ii.) On authority of Commandant.

- (a) Not likely to become efficient.
- (b) Medically unfit.

57 A certificate of discharge will be given to every member of the Ceylon Defence Force on discharge.

(d) RESERVE.

58 Non-commissioned officers and men desirous of joining the reserve will be transferred thereto by the Commanding Officer.

(e) HONORARY MEMBERS.

59 Honorary members consist of—

- (i.) Persons who contribute to the funds of a Corps, but are not enrolled for service.
- (ii.) Persons who have served as enrolled members, and have been returned as efficient at least five times in the annual returns of the Corps, and who, being willing to re-enrol should occasion require their services, may be placed on the list of honorary members, and will contribute to the funds of a Corps.

60 Honorary members will not be included in the muster roll of the Corps to which they belong. They are not subject to military discipline, nor allowed to interfere with the military duties of the Corps, but they may attend "plain clothes" drill when approved by the Commanding Officer. They are not, under any circumstance, liable to be assembled for actual service, unless they join or rejoin as enrolled members.

(f) DOCUMENTS.

61 Officers Commanding units will be responsible for the following documents :—

- (a) Muster Roll.
- (b) Record of Promotions and Reductions; Attendance at Camp; Efficiency; Musketry; Cause of becoming Non-effective.

Section V.—Instructors, Permanent Staff.

62 There are four classes of instructors, viz. :—

- (a) Drill instructors transferred for duty on the permanent staff with a view to completing their Army Service in Colonial employment.
- (b) Drill instructors posted for duty on the permanent staff for a period of four years.
- (c) Acting drill instructors.
- (d) Drill instructors serving under a Colonial agreement.

63 The instructors on the permanent staff must be warrant or non-commissioned officers of the Regular Army not under the rank of sergeant serving on their army engagement and, if possible, in possession of small arm and signalling certificates, and competent to instruct in physical training.

64 A sergeant-instructor will on posting be allotted a regimental number of the Corps to which he is posted, and from date of posting will hold the relative rank of warrant officer Class II.

65 If a non-commissioned officer under the rank of company sergeant-major in the Regular Army is appointed instructor, he must clearly understand that the fact of his holding temporarily the relative rank of company sergeant-major whilst serving with soldiers of the Defence Force gives him no claim to a higher rate of pension than that to which he would be entitled under the Royal Warrant.

66 Acting drill instructors are non-commissioned officers of the Garrison, whose services are lent by the Officer Commanding the Troops for duty as temporary instructors in addition to their duties with their own Corps, or for duty with units of the Defence Force during the camp of instruction.

67 The number of permanent instructors sanctioned for each Corps is laid down in the Table of Establishments, Appendix B. Should additional instructors be required owing to the formation of a new Corps or of an additional troop or company of an existing Corps, the Commandant will apply to the Colonial Secretary for the sanction of Government.

68 Application for the services of instructors from battalions serving in India will be made through the Colonial Secretary to the Adjutant-General in India. If for any special reason the services of a non-commissioned officer from the United Kingdom are required, an application will be made to the War Office through the proper channel.

69 An instructor on first appointment will be considered as on probation for three months (C. E. one year). Should he give satisfaction and be desirous of continuing in Colonial employment, the Commandant at the expiration of three months' probation will report to that effect to the Colonial Secretary, in order that the appointment may be confirmed by the Governor, and to the Headquarters, Ceylon Command, for the information of the War Office.

70 The Commandant may appoint one of the instructors to be regimental sergeant-major, and in Corps entitled to one he may appoint an instructor to be a quartermaster-sergeant. For any sufficient cause the Commandant has authority to deprive an instructor of his appointment as regimental sergeant-major or regimental quartermaster-sergeant.

71 Appointment to regimental sergeant-major, promotion to regimental quartermaster-sergeant, and special appointments, such as paymaster-sergeant and signalling instructor, will be made by selection by the Commandant, and not necessarily by seniority on the permanent staff.

72 Instructors will be posted to companies and detachments at the discretion of the Commanding Officer. An instructor stationed at headquarters or at an outstation may be required periodically to proceed to other stations for the purpose of instructing soldiers of the Defence Force.

73 The documents of the warrant officers or non-commissioned officers of the permanent staff will be in the custody of the Adjutant. When an instructor is discharged, a copy of his attestation will be retained for reference.

74 Instructors may be employed in imparting instruction to cadets at the various schools and colleges, provided that their military duties are in no way interfered with, and that their Commanding Officer's consent is given. They will be remunerated by the schools or colleges employing them.

75 Company sergeant-major instructors will on parade rank as senior to all warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers of the Defence Force.

76 Each instructor will keep a diary showing how he is employed. When he is employed in attending drill, the description of drill attended and the number of officers and men present will be shown. The diary of the preceding week will be deposited in the orderly room of the Corps to which the instructor belongs or is attached as ordered. Officers Commanding outlying companies to which sergeant-instructors are posted will forward weekly to the Adjutant the diaries of their instructors.

77 Whenever the Commandant wishes to dispense with the services of any warrant officer (without bringing him to trial), he will forward the application through the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, to the Colonial Secretary, at the same time stating his reasons in full for making such application, and reporting at the same time any offence of which the warrant officer may have been guilty.

78 A regimental sergeant-major or quartermaster-sergeant of the Regular Forces who has been finally transferred will not be permitted to revert to his regiment or corps, except in the case of misconduct resulting in reduction to the ranks.

A regimental sergeant-major, regimental quartermaster-sergeant, or company sergeant-major instructor may, on the recommendation of the Commandant, the approval of the Officer Commanding the Troops, and the sanction of the Governor, be permitted to return to his regiment at his own request. In cases of premature employment due to any cause, the Ceylon Government will bear the cost of the individual's pay and allowances up to the day (inclusive) preceding that on which he assumes regimental duty, and his travelling expenses both by land and sea.

79 If a company sergeant-major instructor on completing his Army Service does not wish to renew his engagement, the Commandant will report the fact to the Colonial Secretary with a view to his discharge.

80 At the commencement of each year the warrant officers of the permanent staff may be assembled at the headquarters of units for at least one week's special instruction under their Adjutants.

81 Under the provisions of the Army Act, warrant or non-commissioned officers of the Regular Forces transferred as instructors may be permitted to continue to serve with the Defence Force under their Army engagement after they shall have completed twenty-one years' service. On final discharge they will receive any increased pension to which they may be entitled by Royal Warrant.

82 All warrant officers or non-commissioned officers who enter Colonial employment shall reckon their total service, including any in excess of twenty-one years, towards pension (under the Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion) in the same way as if the whole of their service had been rendered with the Imperial Forces. The Colonial Government under which a warrant officer or non-commissioned officer is serving shall, for so long as he is in Colonial employ, pay an annual contribution towards such pension at rates fixed by the War Office from time to time.

83 In the case of a warrant officer or non-commissioned officer who enters Colonial service before he has re-engaged to complete twenty-one years' service, the rate of annual contribution from the Colonial Government concerned will be as fixed by the War Office from time to time.

84 Members of the permanent staff will not allow themselves to be complimented, either directly or indirectly, by presents or collective expressions of opinion from persons who are serving or who have served in the unit to which they are or have been posted or attached. They will not collect public subscriptions for presents, prize meetings, or other objects connected with their unit.

85 The rates of pay, allowances, &c., of instructors are given in Section X.

Section VI.—Discipline.

(a) APPLICATION OF MILITARY LAW, &c.

86 The Ceylon Defence Force is subject to military law as defined in the Defence Force Ordinance—

(a) When called out for active service in Ceylon by Proclamation by the Governor.

(b) When undergoing drill, exercise, training, or inspection, or doing voluntary duty with any portion of the Regular Garrison.

87 A court-martial for the trial of a member of the Ceylon Defence Force subject to military law will be convened by the Officer Commanding the Troops, under the provisions of the Army Act and Rules of Procedure. An officer of the Ceylon Defence Force will be detailed by the Commandant as member of the court, and another officer of the Ceylon Defence Force or of the permanent staff will be similarly detailed as prosecutor, provided Defence Force officers so detailed are themselves subject to military law. The proceedings will be forwarded to the Officer Commanding the Troops, who will forward the same to the Governor for confirmation.

88 A court of inquiry held under section 11 of the Defence Force Ordinance will usually be composed of three officers. The members of such courts will not be sworn, nor will evidence be taken on oath. Courts of inquiry will not express an opinion on the facts or circumstances, unless directed to do so by the officer convening the court.

(b) MISCELLANEOUS.

89 When warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men are dismissed from the Ceylon Defence Force, a notification showing the cause will be published in regimental orders; in the copy of the regimental orders sent to the press for publication reference to the cause of dismissal should be omitted.

90 Officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers of all ranks will adopt towards their subordinates such methods of command and treatment as will not only ensure respect for authority, but also foster the feelings of self-respect and personal honour essential to military efficiency.

91 Officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men will not take part in or attend any political meetings or demonstrations in uniform, nor will any Defence Force regimental band be permitted to play at such meetings.

92 Officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men will not discuss political questions in speeches at military gatherings, such as dinners, prize distributions, &c., whether attendance thereat is in uniform or not.

93 Deliberations or discussions by officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, with the object of conveying praise, censure, or any mark of approbation towards their superiors or any others in His Majesty's Service are prohibited.

94 The publication of laudatory orders on officers relinquishing an appointment, &c., is forbidden. No presentations of plate, swords, &c., will take place without the previous sanction of the Commandant. Meetings will not be held or memorials drawn up on any matter affecting discipline or the expenditure of moneys received from public funds. No meetings, except those called together by or under the authority of the Commandant or Commanding Officer of units, will be recognized.

95 When detachments or units are brought together for any military purpose, the senior officer present will be held responsible for the due maintenance of order and discipline.

96 Officers will not avail themselves of their military titles when engaged in civil business.

97 Warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men in uniform will salute all commissioned officers whom they know to be such, whether in uniform or not, including officers of the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, and Royal Air Force.

98 Unless by special permission of the Governor, officers, non-commissioned officers, and men are forbidden to act as press correspondents, or in this connection to publish or communicate either directly or indirectly, to the press any Military information. If permitted to act as press correspondents, they will not use their Military rank, or describe themselves as Military correspondents in their published communications. Officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men, are forbidden to write to, or seek interviews with, the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, or any official of the Ceylon Government on any matters connected with the Ceylon Defence Force without the permission of the Commandant.

99 A warrant officer or non-commissioned officer serving on the permanent staff will not accept employment outside his military duties without the sanction of the Commandant, which will not be given if such employment interferes with the performance of any military duty.

100 If an officers' or a warrant officers' and sergeants' mess is established in a unit under the authority of the Commanding Officer, that officer will be responsible that discipline is maintained, and that the accounts are properly kept and audited.

(c) ORDERS.

101 An officer in temporary command of a unit will not issue any standing orders, or alter those which are at the time in force, or authorize the application of regimental funds to any purpose other than the ordinary current expenditure, without reference to the permanent Commanding Officer if on leave in Ceylon, and in other cases to the Commandant. An officer while absent from, and not in the exercise of, his command cannot issue regimental orders, or other orders relating to such command.

102 All officers will acquaint themselves with regulations and orders. Ignorance of published orders will not be admitted as an excuse for their non-observance. During annual training in camp all orders specially relating to the non-commissioned officers and men will be read and explained to them at the first available opportunity.

103 An officer who has been on leave of absence will on rejoining make himself acquainted with all orders issued in his absence.

(d) COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS.

104 A personal appeal of an officer is to be submitted through the Commanding Officer, but should the latter refuse or unreasonably delay to forward it, the officer making the appeal may address the Commandant, and will at the same time inform the Commanding Officer of the action he has taken.

If the officer is not satisfied with the Commandant's decision he may appeal to the Governor. Such appeal must be sent through the Commandant who will forward it to the Governor.

105 During annual training in camp all applications and complaints will be made to the squadron or company commander, who will, if necessity arises, refer such application or complaint to the Commanding Officer. Should the applicant or complainant be still dissatisfied the matter is to be referred to the Commandant for his decision.

Any member of the Ceylon Defence Force who has a complaint or grievance will bring it to notice through the usual channels. If not satisfied the complainant may appeal through his Commanding Officer to the Commandant, and finally to the Governor through the Commandant who will forward the complaint to the Governor.

106 When the Ceylon Defence Force is called out for service, complaints will be made in accordance with section 43 of the Army Act. At all other times applications and complaints will be made through the company, &c., commander, or Adjutant, to the Officer Commanding the unit. On no account will such applications or complaints be made direct to the Governor.

(e) PERMANENT STAFF.

107 Officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers of the Regular Forces serving on the permanent staff are subject to military law. Military offences committed by members of the permanent staff will be dealt with by the Adjutant, except when in camp, when the Officer Commanding will deal with the same. Where reference is necessary in such cases, a report will be made to the Commandant.

108 In the event of an instructor being guilty of an offence of a sufficiently grave nature to induce the Commanding Officer to submit the case to superior authority, a report of the circumstances will be made forthwith to the Commandant, who will refer the case through the Officer Commanding the Troops, Ceylon, for the orders of the Governor. The instructor will be kept in arrest until orders are received for his disposal.

Nothing in the foregoing paragraph shall limit in any way the liability of an instructor to be dealt with by the military authorities under the provisions of the Army Act should the Governor deem the case sufficiently serious to necessitate the assembly of a court-martial.

Section VII.—Training and Education.

(a) OFFICERS.

109 Every Defence Force officer within six months after his original appointment must pass the examination prescribed for the rank to which he is appointed, and within the following twelve months the examination prescribed for the next higher rank.

110 Any officer failing to pass the examinations referred to in regulation 109 will be liable to be called upon to resign his commission.

111 Examinations will ordinarily be held once a year in camp by a Board detailed under the orders of the Officer Commanding the Troops. Fifty per cent. of the marks in each sub-head and an aggregate of 60 per cent. are required for a "pass," and an aggregate of 80 per cent. for "distinguished." An officer must pass in at least two subjects to avoid re-examination in all subjects.

112 Officers may present themselves for the examination for regular officers for promotion, musketry, or signalling, and if successful will be denoted by the letters (Q), (H), or (S) after their names in regimental lists.

113 The qualifications to be accepted in lieu of the examinations prescribed will be referred for the decision of the Officer Commanding the Troops.

114 An officer not qualified for promotion may be provisionally promoted by the decision of the Governor, subject to qualification at the next opportunity.

115 A quartermaster will be required to pass an examination in duties in camp and the routine work of his appointment in lieu of the examination prescribed in paragraph 109.

116 An officer will not be entitled to be noted as successful unless reported by the Board to be in every respect qualified for promotion.

(b) SYSTEM OF TRAINING.

117 The technical training of the Artillery, Engineer, and Medical units will be supervised by the C. R. A., C. R. E., and S. M. O., respectively, under arrangements made by the Commandant with the Officer Commanding the Troops.

118 The training throughout the Ceylon Defence Force should aim at—

- (a) Producing an efficient body of officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers to serve both as instructors and leaders.
- (b) Thoroughly instructing the rank and file, at first individually and then in small tactical units.

119 The instructional duties of the permanent staff are not to be held as in any way relieving company, &c., commanders from the full responsibility for the training and efficiency of their respective commands.

(c) RULES FOR EFFICIENCY.

120 Enrolled members of the Ceylon Defence Force are classified as (i.) efficient; (ii.) extra-efficient; (iii.) non-efficient. The required training for (ii.) is laid down for the several arms on Tables A to G and H to N, Appendix E. Quartermasters are classified as efficient on attending the annual camp and receiving a satisfactory report as to the performance of their duties by the Officer Commanding unit.

121 Applications to vary the conditions of efficiency (ii.) will be submitted by the Commandant to the Officer Commanding the Troops for the approval of His Excellency the Governor.

122 In order to be reckoned extra-efficient soldiers must qualify or attend the drills, &c., as laid down in Appendix E, Tables H to N according to his unit, in addition to those laid down for a trained soldier in Tables A to G, Appendix E.

123 The duration of a drill or attendance at instruction must not be less than one hour, and not more than three drills in any one day will be allowed to count towards efficiency. Drills may be performed with a Corps other than that in which the soldier is enrolled, but the attendance must be certified to by the Adjutant of the Corps with which the drill is performed.

124 Recruits who have previously served in other Corps may be excused all or part of their recruit training at the discretion of the Officer Commanding.

(d) RECRUITS' TRAINING.

125 Recruits should be encouraged to complete their training before the annual camp, or, if enrolled after camp, to attend any regimental camps that may be arranged.

126 An engineer recruit will not be deemed trained unless he possesses a competent practical knowledge of one of the following branches:—

- (a) Electrical work of defence electric lights.
- (b) Engine driving for defence electric lights.

(e) ANNUAL TRAINING.

127 Annual training will consist of (a) drills; (b) weapon training; (c) annual training in camp.

128 The training year will commence on January 1 and terminate on December 31. All drills and weapon training for the year must be carried out within that period.

129 Drills should be of an elementary character, and should consist of individual and collective (i.e., troop, platoon, &c.) training. The men should, as far as possible, be trained under their own officers. The drills may be performed at any time throughout the year outside the period of annual training in camp; but as these are best suited to afford elementary instruction, men should be encouraged to perform as many as possible prior to the annual training in camp.

130 Weapon training will be carried out in accordance with the Training Manuals issued by the War Office as applied to the courses laid down for trained soldiers and recruits of the Defence Force in Ceylon Defence Force Orders before January 1 each year. The course will not be fired in annual camp; as many as possible of the field practices will, however, be carried out while at Diyatalawa.

131 The following when once they have reached the qualification standard in the annual course will be exempt from annual range course:—W. Os. Class I., regimental quartermaster-sergeants, staff sergeants, bandsmen, trumpeters, buglers, drummers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the machine gun platoons, once they have reached the qualification standard in the annual course, will fire Part I. Instructional Small Arm Course, Ceylon Defence Force, only.

132 The attendance required in camp and the substitutes allowed in lieu are shown in Appendix E. Every effort will be made by regimental officers to secure the fullest attendance in camp. Attachment to regular troops in camp or at defence practice will count as days of camp.

133 The training carried out in camp should be of a progressive nature, and more advanced than that carried out during drills, as much time as possible being devoted to squadron, battery, and company training. Advantage should be taken of the time in camp to exercise the men chiefly in field operations.

(f) TRAINING IN SPECIAL DUTIES.

134 In every unit Officers Commanding will arrange for the training as required of machine gun sections, scouts, signallers, layers, range takers, cold shoers, and other necessary specialists.

(g) ATTACHMENT TO REGULAR UNITS.

135 With the approval of the Officer Commanding the Troops an officer or non-commissioned officer may be attached at his own expense to a regular unit in Ceylon for a course of instruction.

Section VIII.—General Duties.

(a) DUTIES IN AID OF THE CIVIL POWER.

136 Officers and men of the Ceylon Defence Force or any portion thereof are liable to be called out by Proclamation by the Governor for the preservation of peace in Ceylon, under section 13 of the Defence Force Ordinance.

137 In case of sudden and serious emergency, the Civil Authority may require His Majesty's subjects to arm themselves and use weapons suitable to the occasion. The Ceylon Defence Force is subject to this general obligation, and may be required by the Civil Authority to act in the maintenance of order.

138 In the event of attack on storehouses, armouries, and other buildings belonging to the Force, members of it will be organized to resist it on the orders of the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force, or senior officer in the locality.

(b) DUTIES AND EMPLOYMENTS.

139 The captain and subaltern of the day or week and all orderly sergeants and corporals will attend all parades. The quartermaster, assisted by the regimental police, will take general charge of and be responsible for the conduct and safe custody of the camp whenever a unit is absent from its lines.

140 Guards should be sparingly employed in camp, and may generally be dispensed with between reveille and retreat, their duties being taken by an effective system of police supervision. In any case during the day parades regimental guards will be reduced as far as possible. Picquets will be in the ranks unless specially required, and canteens will be closed during all parades. Orderly room should be held at any convenient time of the day which does not interfere with instruction.

(c) EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION, TOLLS, AND JURY SERVICE.

141 Members of the Force entitled to be mounted by reason of their conditions of service, &c., are not liable to pay any Municipal or other tax imposed upon their horses kept for military duty.

142 Officers and soldiers of the Ceylon Defence Force are not exempted from jury service.

143 All officers and soldiers of the Defence Force are exempted from poll tax, provided that the Commanding Officer or Adjutant of their Corps or any other commissioned officer specially authorized by such Commanding Officer has previously certified to the local authority that such officer or soldier of the Defence Force is a *bona fide* efficient soldier.

144 Members of the Ceylon Defence Force are exempt from the liability to labour imposed by section 49 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, and from any tax payable in labour or in money in commutation of such labour, under "The Municipal Councils Ordinance, 1887"; "The Nuwara Eliya Board of Improvement Ordinance, 1896"; "The Local Boards Ordinance, 1898"; "The Small Towns Sanitary Ordinances, 1892 to 1909." This exemption, however, only applies to members who are duly certified to be efficient soldiers of the Defence Force for the year by the Officer Commanding unit to the local authority.

(d) LEAVE REGULATIONS, STAFF.

145 The Commandant, Staff Officer, full-time Adjutants, Quartermaster, Ceylon Defence Force, Civil Master Armourer, and all instructors will come under the General Orders in force at the time for leave in Ceylon which apply to other Government servants.

(e) LEAVE TO INSTRUCTORS, PERMANENT STAFF.

146 (a) An instructor who is still on the strength of his battalion and who is certified by a Medical Board to be unfit for further service in Ceylon will be allowed six weeks' full pay leave. A passage to Netley will be provided for himself and, if married, for his family (up to a limit of five full passages in all).

(b) An instructor who has taken his discharge from the Army, and who is certified by a Medical Board to be unfit for further service in Ceylon may be granted three months' full pay leave less any full pay leave taken by him during the year in which he is certified unfit for further service and the year previous thereto. He will be entitled to free passages to his selected place of residence in the United Kingdom or Ireland (including the Irish Free States if enlisted before December 5, 1922) for himself and, if married, for his family (not exceeding five full passages in all).

(c) If the Medical Board certified that the state of an instructor's health renders a change to the United Kingdom necessary, he may at the discretion of the Governor be granted any available leave reckoned as in regulation 149 (a) and, in addition, if further leave is certified to be necessary by a Government Medical Officer, half pay leave up to a maximum of six months.

147 (a) An instructor who has been seconded for service with the Colonial Government until he has completed twenty-one years' Army service, and who proceeds to the United Kingdom for his discharge on completion of this service will be eligible for two months' full pay leave prior to discharge, the period of the voyage being reckoned as part of the leave. He will also be entitled to free passages for himself and, if married, for his family (up to a maximum of five full passages) to his selected place of residence in the United Kingdom or in Ireland (including the Irish Free State if enlisted before December 5, 1922).

(b) An instructor who has been seconded for service with the Colonial Government until he has completed twenty-one years' Army service, and who takes his discharge in Ceylon, will be eligible for two months' full pay leave immediately prior to discharge. He will also be entitled to free conveyance to his selected place of residence in Ceylon for himself and, if married, for his family (up to a maximum number of five full passages in all).

148 Conveyance by sea and rail will be provided for the family of an instructor when not accompanying the instructor in the following cases :—

(a) When the instructor dies or becomes insane while serving in Ceylon, conveyance from Colombo to the selected place of residence or place where the instructor was married.

(b) When an instructor's wife dies or becomes insane in Ceylon, conveyance for the children to the husband's parish or place of marriage.

(c) Should a Medical Board or Government Medical Officer certify that the state of health of an instructor's wife renders a change to the United Kingdom necessary, return passages will be granted to her and her children from Colombo to a port in the United Kingdom.

Note.—Paragraph 148 (c) is not applicable to the wife of an instructor serving on a four years' agreement, who will only be granted single passages to the United Kingdom for herself and children when sent home on the recommendation of a Government Medical Officer or Medical Board.

149 (a) An instructor after four years' continuous service under the Colonial Government may be granted, if re-engaged for a further term under the Colonial Government, four and a half months' vacation leave on full pay, less any vacation leave taken during the last two years of the four. In addition to this he will be eligible for half pay leave not exceeding one-sixth of his actual resident service the whole or any portion of which may be commuted into one-half the period of leave on full pay provided that the total period of commuted and uncommuted leave together with the period of vacation leave does not exceed ten months. The instructor will be granted return passages for himself and, if married, for his family (up to a maximum of five full passages in all) from Colombo to a port in the United Kingdom.

(b) An instructor, who has completed a four years' agreement with the Colonial Government, and who is not returning to Ceylon, may be granted full pay leave for two months including voyage home. The instructor will be granted a single passage for himself, or if married, passages for his family also (not exceeding five full passages in all) from Colombo to his home in the United Kingdom or to a station of the Home Battalion of his Regiment or to the Depot.

150 Instructors will be granted when on leave all the allowances to which they are entitled when serving in Ceylon, including lodging allowance; but when furnished with diet on board ship, an instructor will forfeit allowances in lieu of rations, fuel, and light, medical attendance, and lodging for days on which he was furnished with diet on board ship, to count from day of embarkation to day previous to disembarkation inclusive.

151 On arrival in the United Kingdom on leave an instructor will furnish the Crown Agents with a certificate from the captain of the ship showing date of embarkation and disembarkation.

152 Instructors and their families will be granted second class passages by sea, second class accommodation by rail when travelling on duty in Ceylon, and third class railway accommodation when travelling in the United Kingdom.

153 A married instructor granted leave who proceeds to the United Kingdom unaccompanied by his family will draw allowance in lieu of rations, lodging, fuel, and light when furnished with diet on board ship (*vide* rule 150).

154 Baggage in excess of that allowed by any line of steamers is not admissible free of charge.

(f) BAND.

155 The band will not appear in uniform for any purpose without the consent of the Commandant.

156 All bandmen present on parade in uniform must be enrolled soldiers of the Defence Force.

157 The band will not be allowed to play in the immediate vicinity of places of public worship on Sundays during the hours of divine worship.

158 The bandmaster and bandsmen may, if they wish, qualify for certificates of efficiency. Their attendance as bandsmen at brigade or battalion drill may be counted as attendance amongst the battalion drills required.

Section IX.—Uniform, Equipment, &c.

(a) UNIFORM.

159 The authorized patterns of dress for all ranks of units are laid down in the respective regimental rules, and no deviation from these rules is permitted.

160 Uniform will be worn as ordered.

161 (a) Officers attending levees, State balls, and ceremonies at which the Governor is present will wear full or mess dress, as published in Ceylon Defence Force Orders.

(b) Defence Force officers will invariably wear mess dress when invited to dine with His Excellency the Governor, unless full dress is ordered. Should an officer not be in possession of the necessary uniform, he will inform the Aide-de-Camp in Waiting of the fact and ask for instructions.

(c) All other ranks will on the above occasions wear plain clothes, with the miniature medals and decorations to which they are entitled.

162 Officers appointed Aide-de-Camp to the Governor will wear regimental uniform with a silver aiguillette, with the special distinction laid down for the staff of the Army, substituting silver for gold in the aiguillette, embroidery, lace, buttons, helmet, sword knot, and slings.

163 Uniform will not be worn without permission, except on parade or duty.

(b) STORES.

164 The Commandant is responsible for all stores which are supplied by Government for the use of the Force, the Officers Commanding Corps being responsible to him for the proper custody and preservation of the arms and stores entrusted to their care, and being liable to make good any loss by damage or deficiency.

165 Officers Commanding Corps will make or cause to be made frequent inspections of the whole of the arms, equipment, and stores in charge of their Corps.

166 On change of command the following certificates will be sent in to the Staff Officer, Ceylon Defence Force, signed by the officers assuming and giving over command :—

I certify that I have handed over in good order and serviceable condition taken over the whole of the arms, equipment, and stores in charge of the _____ as shown by the Equipment Ledger.

On change of command, the Equipment Ledger will be signed by the officers assuming and giving over command.

167 All cases of loss or damage to stores will be immediately reported to the Commandant ; and in cases where the loss or damage might lead to a charge against the public funds, the Commandant will order the assembly of a court of inquiry.

168 All arms issued to the Defence Force remain the property of the Colonial Government, and the Commandant is held responsible for their being at all times in a serviceable state. All rifles, carbines, bayonets, scabbards, and equipment will be marked and numbered by the Civil Master Armourer before issue.

169 Unserviceable stores and losses and deficiencies of stores will be dealt with as laid down in Financial Orders 163, 164, 165. Repairs necessitated by fair wear will be executed free of charge ; the expense of other repairs will be borne by the Corps or the individual.

170 In accordance with Financial Order 709 the following books for recording transactions in arms, equipment, and stores shall be kept :—

At C. D. F. Headquarters :—(1) Stock Book ; (2) Indent Book ; (3) Issue Order Book. G 141.

At Headquarters of Corps :—(1) Stock Book ; (2) Indent Book ; (3) Issue Order Book. G 141.

At Headquarters of outstation companies and detachments :—(1) Property Book ; (2) Indent Book.

171 In the case of stores which can be obtained locally from the Army Ordnance Department, the Commandant will indent on R. A. O. D. using Army Form G 997. Other stores will be obtained from the Colonial Storekeeper, and will be requisitioned for by the Staff Officer in accordance with Financial Orders 681-703.

172 The Stock Book will be kept in accordance with the instructions laid down in Financial Orders 709-719, the entries on the issue side being supported by the receipted issue orders returned by headquarters of Corps. Receipts will be supported in the case of stores received from the R. A. O. D. by a copy of the account sent in by the R. A. O. D. and in the case of stores received from the Colonial Storekeeper by the vouchers specified in Financial Order 712 (ii.). The left hand side of each folio will show all receipts ; the right hand side will

show articles in charge of each Corps at the beginning of the half-year and all issues to Corps during the half-year ; also articles condemned and destroyed or returned to R. A. O. D. on payment. Each page of the book will be balanced half-yearly and a new account opened.

173 The Indent Book will be used for all indents by Officers Commanding Corps or detachments. The office indented on will retain the indent as a voucher pending the return of the receipted issue order.

174 The Issue Book (Form General 141) will be used as follows :—When sending the articles to the department, branch, or person requiring the same, parts 2 and 3 of the form, filled in as far as possible by the issuing officer, must also be sent. The receiving officer must receipt part 3, and return it at once to the issuing department as the voucher in support of the issue. He must return part 2 as his voucher in support of the receipt.

175 In the Stock Book will be recorded the receipt and issue of all Government property. Receipts will be supported by part 2 of the Issue Order Form. Issues will be supported by part 3 of the Issue Order Form receipted by the officer to whom the property has been issued. This Ledger will be balanced half-yearly, and a copy of the balance will be forwarded on the Half-yearly Return to the C. D. F. Headquarters.

176 A Property Book will be kept at all outstations, in which will be shown all Government property in charge of the detachment. This book will be kept up similarly to the Equipment Ledger.

177 Before any Government arms can be issued to outlying companies, the Corps must provide, at its own expense, an armoury or armouries of sufficient size to contain all its arms. The Storehouses should be thoroughly dry and well-aired buildings, free from worm-eaten timber, and should be kept well whitewashed and clean. Armouries which have been approved will not be changed without the authority of the Commandant.

178 The Commanding Officer is not authorized under any circumstances to incur expenditure on account of Government buildings used by the Defence Force. Should he consider any alterations or repairs to the buildings necessary, he will communicate with the Commandant, who will refer the question for the orders of Government.

179 Ammunition for breech-loading small arms which contains its own means of ignition will not be stored within the same masonry compartments of magazines as gunpowder, whether the latter is in the shape of filled cartridges or loose powder.

180 The Commanding Officer will not permit small arm ammunition or explosives of any kind belonging to other Corps or to private individuals to be deposited in the magazine of the Corps. The storing of the ammunition belonging to the Corps in private magazines is strictly forbidden. The Adjutant will inspect periodically the magazines of the Corps, reporting to the Commanding Officer after each visit that the regulations laid down for the custody and safety of the ammunition have been fully complied with.

181 Cases having occurred of ammunition issued to Defence Force Units improperly coming into the possession of merchants and other persons, Officers Commanding Defence Force Units and others will be held strictly responsible for the safe-keeping and proper issue and use of all Government ammunition.

182 The sale or exchange of ammunition outside the Force is prohibited, and it is to be understood that any transaction of such a nature is illegal, and will render the parties concerned liable to proceedings at law.

(c) GUARDS OF HONOUR AND ESCORTS.

183 A guard of honour or escort will be provided by the Ceylon Defence Force for a member of the Royal Family, or for the Governor, or on such other occasion as the Governor may require. In no other case will a unit or body of men serve as a guard of honour or escort or for lining the streets, or take part in any public procession or ceremony without authority having been obtained, through the usual channels, from the Commandant.

(d) MILITARY FUNERALS.

184 Military funerals may be accorded to deceased officers and men of the Force who at the time of their death were on the active list of their unit. In other cases the sanction of the Governor is necessary. The salutes and attendance of troops are not to exceed those laid down in the King's Regulations for officers and soldiers of the Regular Army. All necessary arrangements will be made regimentally, and no expense will be borne by the Government of Ceylon, except under the Governor's authority, with the exception of the issue of free railway warrants to officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers of the Defence Force attending funerals.

(e) MEDALS AND DECORATIONS.

185 Medals and decorations given by the King or by a Foreign Sovereign—the acceptance having been sanctioned by His Majesty—also the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration and Long Service Medal, will be worn on the left breast. No decoration or medal given by a Foreign Sovereign may be worn unless His Majesty's permission to accept and wear it has been granted.

186 Medals awarded by a society for bravery in saving human life will be worn on the right breast. No other medals or decorations will be worn by soldiers of the Defence Force in uniform. This regulation is, however, not intended to apply to authorized prize shooting badges to be worn on the arm.

187 The regulations for the issue, surrender, forfeiture, and restoration of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration and Long Service Medal are given in Appendix F.

Section X.—Finance and Administration.

(a) PAY.

188 The Commandant, Staff Officer, Adjutants, and Quartermaster will receive pay at the rates laid down by the Governor.

189 Acting Adjutants will be paid at a rate not exceeding Rs. 135 per mensem.

190 Instructors will receive pay as follows :—

Appointment.	Daily Pay.
Regimental Sergeant-Major Instructors with special qualifications	16 per diem
Other Regimental Sergeant-Major Instructors ..	14 do.
Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant Instructors ..	12 do.
Company Sergeant-Major Instructors ..	10 do.
Company Sergeant-Major Instructors who act as Regimental Sergeant-Major Instructors or Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeant Instructors will receive 4s. and 2s. per diem extra pay respectively.	
An Instructor who receives promotion to a higher rank during his service as Instructor will be entitled to receive the pay of his new rank.	
An Instructor on appointment will draw his emoluments from Colonial Funds from the date on which he ceases to draw his pay from Indian or Imperial Funds.	

191 The Civil Master Armourer, Ceylon Defence Force, will receive at the rates laid down by the Governor.

192 Instructors will receive allowances at the following rates :—

(a) In lieu of rations :—

			<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Instructors ..	..	..	1	8 per diem
Wife ..	..	..	0	10 do.
Child ..	..	..	0	5 do.

(b) Clothing allowance 66 0 per quarter

(c) In lieu of fuel and light 0 3 per diem

(d) Lodging allowance if not provided with furnished Government quarters :—

In Colombo ..	..	..	Rs. 60	0 per mensem
Outstations ..	..	..	Re. 1	80 per diem

(e) Kit allowance 2d per diem

(f) Colonial allowance :—

Regimental Sergeant-Majors ..	..	..	38 cents	per diem
Regimental Quartermaster-Sergeants and Company Sergeant-Majors ..	..	..	19 cents	do.

(g) Marriage allowance as published from time to time in Army Orders.

(h) School fees for each child over three years old, Re. 1 per month.

(i) Subsistence allowance at the rate per diem as laid down from time to time and governed by the conditions in General Orders ; in addition lodging allowance at Re. 1.50 per diem is allowed where such expense has been incurred.

The prescribed deduction of one shilling per diem will be made from the marriage allowance from all Instructors living in Government or Military quarters, but, as an act of grace by His Excellency the Governor, Instructors living in rented quarters where the rent actually paid by them exceeds the lodging allowance by at least one shilling per diem, will be exempted from this deduction.

193 Acting Instructors will be paid at the rates as laid down in the Annual Estimates.

(b) MEDICAL ATTENDANCE.

194 Warrant officers of the Permanent Staff of the Ceylon Defence Force and their families are entitled to receive free medical attendance from officers of the Civil Medical Department ; they are also entitled to receive medicines free from Government dispensaries.

194 A Warrant officers and non-commissioned officers of the Regular Army doing duty with the Ceylon Defence Force will be treated at Government hospitals (in the case of the General Hospital, Colombo, in the Seamen's Ward only) free of charge, provided accommodation is available. This concession does not apply to members of their families except in serious cases, which will require the special approval of the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services.

"NOTE.—If accommodation in a private room of the General Hospital is desired, the usual scale of charges payable by members of the public must be paid."

(c) ALLOWANCES.

195 The following are the sanctioned rates of travelling allowances when proceeding to and returning from camp for all ranks of the Ceylon Defence Force other than the Instructional Staff :—

Travelling Allowance.

	Rs.	c.
Field Officers	11	25
Other Commissioned Officers	9	0

Half the above rates only will be paid on the day of return to station.

Other Ranks : —

Battalion and Company Sergeant-Majors, Battalion and Company Quartermaster-Sergeants and Sergeants C. E., C. M. R., C. P. R. C., C. S. & T.	5	25
Battalion and Company Sergeant-Majors, Battalion and Company Quartermaster-Sergeants, and Sergeants C. G. A., C. L. I., C. M. C.	3	75
Sergeants, C. C. B.	3	0
Rank and File, C. E., C. M. R., C. P. R. C., C. S. & T.	4	50
Rank and File, C. G. A., C. L. I., C. M. C.	3	0
Rank and File, C. C. B.	2	50

Camp Allowance.

196 The daily rates of camp allowances whilst in camp for officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and other ranks of the Ceylon Defence Force for each day spent in camp will be as follows :—

<i>Officers and Staff Sergeant Instructors :—</i>	Rs.	c.
Field Officers, Staff Officer, and Adjutant	11	25
Other Commissioned Officers	9	0
Staff Sergeant Instructors.	6	0

Half the above rates only will be paid on day of return to station.

**Other Ranks :—*

Battalion and Company Sergeant-Majors, Battalion and Company Quartermaster-Sergeants and Sergeants, C. E., C. M. R., C. P. R. C., C. S. & T.	5	25
Battalion and Company Sergeant-Majors, Battalion and Company Quartermaster-Sergeants, and Sergeants, C. G. A., C. L. I., C. M. C.	3	75
Sergeants, C. C. B.	3	0
Rank and File, C. E., C. M. R., C. P. R. C., C. S. & T.	4	50
Rank and File, C. G. A., C. L. I., C. M. C.	3	0
Rank and File, C. C. B.	2	50

* This is not a personal allowance. It is paid into Camp Corps Funds to be expended at the discretion of Finance Committees of Corps

197 Camp allowance and batta will be paid for the full-period members of the Force are in camp, not exceeding the duration of the camp as sanctioned by Government. In no case will the allowance or batta be paid on account of an officer, non-commissioned officer, or soldier unless he is present in camp for at least 72 consecutive hours, exclusive of the journeys to and from camp. Should a member of the Force have to leave camp, owing to sickness or accident duly certified, before he completes 72 hours' attendance, he will only receive batta for each complete 24 hours he is present in camp. The allowance or batta will not be paid on account of any member who leaves with less than 72 hours' attendance, even if he is recalled by his employer or the head of his department, or for any other reason.

198 Members of the staff who have to proceed in advance to make preliminary arrangements and to remain behind to close the camp will receive batta on the scale laid down for the days they are necessarily employed in camp in excess of the sanctioned duration of the camp.

199 Advance parties consisting of not more than one non-commissioned officer and two men from each battery, troop, or company who proceed in advance to draw bedding, furniture, &c., and remain behind to hand over huts and stores will receive batta at the following rates for not more than two days before camp opens and one day after camp closes, viz., sergeants and privates at the same rates as laid down in rule 196.

199^A Batta may be drawn by the following for servants and horsekeepers at the rates laid down from time to time in General Orders :—

Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force	..	1 servant
		1 horsekeeper
Staff Officer, Ceylon Defence Force	..	1 servant
		1 horsekeeper
Adjutants, Ceylon Defence Force	..	1 servant
Quartermaster, Ceylon Defence Force	..	1 servant
All other officers, Ceylon Defence Force	..	1 servant

In addition to the above the Commandant will draw batta for one peon.

Note.—An officer who draws an allowance for the keep of a horse should not draw batta for a horsekeeper.

200 Mileage may be claimed by members of the Ceylon Defence Force in receipt of travelling allowance over Rs. 3 per diem according to the nature of the vehicle used at the rates shown below. The mode of conveyance must be stated in the claim and in the case of a motor car or motor cycle the registered number must be given :—

For a motor car ..	..	50 cents per mile
For a motor cycle ..	..	25 cents per mile

Horse mileage, whether the horse is ridden or driven, may be drawn at the rate of 35 cents per mile.

Half cart mileage may be drawn by other members of the Ceylon Defence Force at the rate of 20 cents per mile, provided the Commandant considers it necessary.

Mileage may only be claimed by members of the Ceylon Defence Force whose station or home is over five miles from the nearest railway station or drill centre when travelling on necessary duty.

Journeys wherever possible must be performed by train or other Government transport.

201 A horse allowance of Rs. 6 per diem will be paid for each day in camp or proceeding to and from camp to the following officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates of the Ceylon Defence Force :—

- (1) Officers, warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles.
- (2) The Officer Commanding, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps.
- (3) The Officer Commanding, Ceylon Garrison Artillery.
- (4) The Officer Commanding, Ceylon Light Infantry.
- (5) Majors, Ceylon Garrison Artillery, Ceylon Light Infantry, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps.
- (6) Captains Commanding Companies in Camp, Ceylon Garrison Artillery, Ceylon Engineers, Ceylon Light Infantry, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps, and Ceylon Medical Corps.

Provided that each officer, warrant officer, non-commissioned officer, or private detailed above is in possession of a suitable horse, which must be his own property.

201A Every efficient member of the Motor Cycle Section, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps, maximum strength fifty, and six Dispatch Riders of the Ceylon Engineers will be paid a grant of Rs. 100 per annum for the upkeep of motor cycle.

(d) TRAVELLING.

202 The rates of travelling and subsistence allowances sanctioned for the officers and non-commissioned officers of the Instructional Staff are as laid down in Ceylon General Orders at the time in force.

203 Officers of the Ceylon Defence Force travelling on duty will draw subsistence allowance for each night they may be necessarily absent from their station, and half the rate on day of return. The issue of these rates will be regulated by the substantive rank they hold as under :—

Field officers Rs. 12·50, other officers Rs. 9 per diem.

Other ranks as per rules 195 and 196, and half day's batta on day of return to their station.

204 Officers, warrant officers, and non-commissioned officers who are leaders of troops, platoons, sections, and detachments attending any parades (up to 25), and soldiers attending drills up to the minimum number required for efficiency, provided their places of residence are more than five miles from the nearest drill centre or railway station, will receive batta and mileage at the rates laid down in rules 195 and 196, respectively. Those members residing five miles and under will receive only batta at the rates laid down in rule 196 for each night they are necessarily absent from their homes on duty. Parties proceeding on duty in one vehicle will be paid only the cost of the hire of the vehicle used, provided such cost does not exceed the total amount to which the whole party would have been entitled as mileage under rule 200 had each member of the party used a separate vehicle. In the case of a private car one person only will be entitled to draw mileage in respect of that car. Whether mileage or no mileage is drawn no batta may be claimed in respect of any shorter period of absence in one day than six hours. For a period of necessary absence which exceeds six hours and does not exceed twelve hours half the daily rate of batta may be drawn and for any period exceeding twelve hours the full daily rate is payable.

205 Railway warrants will only be issued for actual duty. Warrants on repayment will not be issued. The nature of the duty must be specifically stated on the back of the warrant.

206 Free railway warrants will be issued to soldiers (of the Defence Force) in uniform when travelling *bona fide* for the purpose of taking part in target practice on the following conditions, viz. :—

- (1) That all warrants so issued be endorsed "For Range Practice" in red ink in the right hand top corner and signed by a commissioned officer, who will enter on the back the names of the soldier or soldiers who travel on the warrant, and certify that the warrant is issued for target practice.
- (2) That warrants be issued to the range nearest to the soldiers' residence, except in the case of a soldier taking part in a competition fired by all competing teams or competitors on the same range, or attending the annual meeting of the Ceylon Volunteer Rifle Association or other recognized rifle meeting.

207 When travelling to and from the range, plain clothes may be worn by all soldiers in Colombo between Maradana and Hunupitiya, and by soldiers stationed at Moratuwa between Moratuwa and Hunupitiya.

208 If a soldier is authorized to take a bicycle to the range, a separate warrant must be issued for it.

209 Range coolies and arms cleaners travelling on duty are entitled to the single fare for the double journey, but not officers' servants.

210 All railway warrants issued in connection with the annual camp of instruction at Diyatalawa must be endorsed " Camp " in red in the right hand top corner.

211 In the case of small parties travelling to and from camp by ordinary train, the names of the soldiers must be entered on the back of the warrant.

212 In the case of stores and luggage full particulars must be given on the back of the warrant.

213 Return warrants will on no account be issued to officers, non-commissioned officers, or men of the Ceylon Defence Force, servants, and others attending the annual camp of instruction at Diyatalawa. Single warrants only are to be issued to Diyatalawa, and single warrants for the return journey.

213A Railway warrants may be issued for servants of members of Ceylon Mounted Rifles, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps, and Ceylon Supply and Transport Corps when attending the annual camp at Diyatalawa, district camps, regimental drills, &c., and for the servants of instructors when attending camps at Diyatalawa.

214 Warrants are to be issued direct from an officer's or soldier's station to Diyatalawa ; on no account are warrants to be issued to intermediate stations. On leaving camp officers and soldiers may book from Diyatalawa or an intermediate station to their destinations. They are not allowed to break their journey either proceeding to or returning from camp.

215 On no account is a horse box to be detained at an intermediate station. Horses must be conveyed direct to and from Diyatalawa.

216 Warrants will not be issued for pianos. Corps or messes wishing to bring pianos to camp must do so at their own expense.

217 Officers issuing warrants are held personally responsible that these instructions are carried out.

217A The scale of the class of accommodation for all ranks of the Force is as under :—

Officers of all corps	1st Class
Warrant officers, sergeants and rank and file, Ceylon Engineers, Ceylon Mounted Rifles, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps, and Ceylon Supply and Transport Corps ..	2nd Class
Warrant officers, sergeants and lance-sergeant, Ceylon Garrison Artillery, Ceylon Light Infantry, Ceylon Medical Corps, and Ceylon Cadet Battalion	2nd Class
Rank and file, Ceylon Garrison Artillery, Ceylon Light Infantry, Ceylon Medical Corps, and Ceylon Cadet Battalion	3rd Class

Escorts and small parties of corps on military duty other than Europeans are entitled to travel 2nd Class irrespective of rank when the number does not exceed nineteen.

218 A non-commissioned officer of the Army appointed instructor on the permanent staff, Ceylon Defence Force, for a fixed period, or transferred with a view to completing his Army Service in Colonial employment, will be granted free conveyance by rail and sea for himself and, if married, for all the members of his family from his station to Colombo.

219 A warrant officer or non-commissioned officer proceeding to join the permanent staff, Ceylon Defence Force, when unavoidably detained at the port of embarkation or elsewhere after leaving his station, if not provided with quarters by the Imperial or Indian Military Authorities, will be refunded hotel expenses necessarily incurred by himself and his family, also cab fares and boat hire when embarking and disembarking, on furnishing proper vouchers.

220 On arrival at Colombo on appointment a married instructor will be allowed hotel expenses for two days only for himself and each member of his family not exceeding Rs. 7.50 a day for himself and each member of his family over twelve years of age, and Rs. 3.75 a day for each child under twelve years on furnishing proper vouchers. If hotel expenses in excess of two days be claimed only the difference between the amount claimed and the instructor's salary and allowances, including lodging allowance, allowances in lieu of rations, and fuel and light, will be allowed.

(e) CORPS ALLOWANCES, GRANTS, &C.

(i.) *Capitation Grants.*

221 An annual allowance is granted to Corps of the Ceylon Defence Force as follows :—

- (i.) For every captain or subaltern who has fulfilled the conditions for efficiency laid down for his Corps Rs. 30, and each efficient field officer Rs. 50.
- (ii.) For every efficient non-combatant officer Rs. 30. In the case of chaplains the presence of these officers with their Corps in camp will be sufficient to entitle the Corps to the allowance.
- (iii.) For every efficient soldier, including buglers, Rs. 30, with the exception of the Ceylon Cadet Battalion, who will earn Rs. 2.
- (iv.) The rates of capitation grant for reservists are laid down in the regulations for the reserves.

222 Boys, except those borne as trumpeters or buglers on the authorized establishment of a Corps cannot earn capitation allowance.

223 With a view to giving encouragement to officers and sergeants of the Ceylon Defence Force units in acquiring a thorough knowledge of their duties, a special additional capitation allowance of Rs. 5 is granted on account of each officer who has passed for his next higher rank, and each sergeant (not including permanent staff) who holds a certificate of proficiency for every year in which he earns the ordinary capitation allowance. The same allowance is granted for other members of the Ceylon Defence Force who are extra efficient as laid in paragraph 122 and Appendix E, Table H to N.

Note.—Rule 223 is to be read in conjunction with rule 122 and Appendix E.

224 The Ceylon Mounted Rifles and the Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps will receive an annual grant of Rs. 5 for each efficient member for the upkeep of ranges.

225 In the case of an officer holding a certificate of proficiency, the Commanding Officer will certify in the annual return and nominal roll that he is competent to perform the duties of his rank. In the case of a sergeant, the Adjutant will certify that he has during the year seen him drill and act as instructor to a company, and has been satisfied with his proficiency.

226 Special capitation allowance will not be granted to an officer who does not hold the certificate for proficiency for his rank.

227 An extra personal grant of Rs. 10 is given to all ranks of the Artillery Engineers, Light Infantry, and Medical Corps who perform the drills laid down in Appendix E for expenses incurred in attending parades.

(ii.) *Office Allowances, Postage, and Telegrams.*

223 In order to defray the expenses of carrying on the official correspondence of headquarters and Corps, allowances, which vary from year to year, will be granted for the supply of stationery and printed forms. There is no objection to any surplus of the stationery allowance being devoted towards orderly room expenses.

229 Official correspondence is transmitted free by post, provided that it bears on the envelope or cover the words "On His Majesty's Service" or the letters "O. H. M. S.," and is franked by a commissioned officer in the Ceylon Defence Force. Officers are not permitted to delegate the privilege of franking to any clerk or other person in their offices, and when franking stamps are used, they are personally responsible that they are not improperly used.

230 State telegrams may only be sent by the Commandant, the Staff Officer, and the Adjutants of Corps. Defence Force officers who send telegrams on Government service must pay for them at the time, but the cost of the same will be refunded to them on application to headquarters, a copy of the telegram sent being attached to the application.

The following abbreviated telegraphic addresses should be used in all official telegrams :—

Commandant	Volforce
Staff Officer	Stavol
Adjutant, C. G. A.	Adart
Adjutant, C. L. I.	Adli
Adjutant, C. M. R. and C. P. R. C. ..	Rifles
Officer Commanding, C. S. & T. ..	Transport
Adjutant, C. E.	Engineers
Adjutant, C. M. C.	Ceymedico
Adjutant, C. S. & T.	Cestranspe
Adjutant, C. C. B.	Cadets

(f) *ISSUE OF GRANTS, ALLOWANCES, &C.*

231 The issue in each financial year of the capitation grant will be based upon the number of efficient shown in the annual return and nominal rolls of efficient and non-efficient rendered on December 31 in the preceding year.

232 Issues of allowances due to Corps will be made to the Commanding Officer jointly with three members of a Finance Committee appointed under rules which have been approved by His Excellency for the Corps to aid the Commanding Officer in the management of its finances.

233 The form of claim will accordingly contain a statement—

- (a) That regimental rules have been approved by His Excellency for each Corps.
- (b) That such rules contain provisions for the appointment of a Finance Committee consisting of not less than three members, besides the Commanding Officer.
- (c) That the provisions for the appointment of a Finance Committee have been strictly carried out.
- (d) That three members of such Committee (giving their names) have been selected by the Commanding Officer to receive jointly with him issues of capitation allowances.

(e) That the Commanding Officer and the three other members of the Finance Committee appointed to receive with him the issues of capitation allowance have undertaken to prepare half-yearly an accurate account of the receipts and expenditure, and balance the moneys entrusted to them, to have such account printed, and to post the same in the orderly room and in some other place or places where it will be open to the inspection of the Corps.

234 If between December 31 and the date of issue of the capitation allowance any one of the three members referred to in paragraph 233 (b) shall have ceased to be a member of the Finance Committee, the Commanding Officer will report the fact to the Staff Officer, at the same time submitting the name of another member for such Committee, specifying the date on which he was, in accordance with the approved rules of the Corps, appointed or elected to be a member of the Finance Committee.

235 The capitation allowances will be paid to the Commanding Officer and the three members appointed to receive the same. These allowances will be deposited in the bank strictly in accordance with the rules and regulations, and such account will be kept distinct from any private account or from any account of regimental funds arising from private subscriptions. The account of the capitation allowances will be kept in the books of the bank, subject to the drafts of the Commanding Officer and the three members, or of such of the number (not less than two) as they may conjointly empower to draw cheques.

236 The accounts will be subject to inspection at any time by officers specially deputed for the purpose by the Colonial Secretary.

(g) RULES FOR MANAGEMENT OF CORPS FUNDS, &C.

237 In order to give legal force to the rules proposed by the Defence Force Corps for the management of its property, finances, and civil affairs, they must be approved at a general meeting of the officers and soldiers and submitted by the Commanding Officer to the Commandant for the approval of the Governor.

238 In forwarding copies of rules or amended rules for approval, the Commanding Officer will state the date on which such rules or amended rules have been submitted to and approved by the officers and soldiers of the Defence Force at a general meeting.

239 Rules or amended rules submitted for the approval of the Governor must contain provisions for the appointment of a Finance Committee, consisting of not less than three officers besides the Commanding Officer, three members, including the Commanding Officer, to form a quorum.

Section XI.—Correspondence.

240 Official correspondence will be conducted in accordance with the instructions contained in Ceylon General Orders.

241 Official letters will contain full information of all particulars upon the subject to which they relate, and will be headed thus :—

From _____.
To _____.

Each letter will refer to one subject only. The paragraphs will be numbered, and the enclosures, if any, described in the margin, or in a separate schedule. As a general rule, short communications may be written on a half sheet ;

but when the letter extends beyond one page, or is accompanied by enclosures, it should be written on a whole sheet. The transmission of unnecessary enclosures will be avoided, and when additional papers are forwarded, all blank fly-leaves will be removed from them.

242 The rank of officers and the authorized designation of the Corps will in all cases be added after their signatures. When a communication has any reference to previous correspondence, the registered number, date, and purport of the former papers will be quoted.

243 Correspondence on the following subjects will be addressed to the Headquarters, Ceylon Command :—

- (1) Attachment of officers to the Regular Forces for instruction.
- (2) Inspection of Corps.
- (3) Reviews and brigade drills.

Correspondence upon all other subjects will be addressed by the Commandant to the Colonial Secretary and heads of Government Departments.

244 Communications addressed to the Commandant by name will not be opened by the Staff Officer or any other member of the permanent staff, but will be sent to the private address of the Commandant.

Section XII.—Defence Force Reserve.

245 In every Corps a reserve shall be formed for the purpose of bringing the Corps up to full strength on mobilization. On mobilization being ordered, the Governor shall be empowered to call up all or any of the reserve for service in Ceylon.

246 There shall be no fixed establishment for the reserve, which will consist of all ranks.

247 The following will be eligible for the reserve, if approved by the Commanding Officer :—

- (a) Soldiers who have been returned as efficient for five years (Ceylon Garrison Artillery seven years).
- (b) Men who have served for six months in the Regular or Permanent Colonial Forces.

248 Soldiers who are now serving can be transferred to the reserve under rule 247 (a) without being re-enrolled. Men who wish to join under rule 247 (b) will be enrolled in the ordinary way.

249 On transfer to, or enrolment in, the reserve, the Commanding Officer shall decide what rank the reservist will hold, provided that no member of the reserve shall hold higher rank than he has held for at least six months while on the active list.

250 Members of the reserve when called up for duty or when attached to active Corps or when retransferred to active list will retain their rank, but will be junior to active soldiers of the Defence Force of the same rank.

251 In all matters of discipline, issue of arms, accoutrements, &c., members of the reserve shall be subject to the same rules as active soldiers of the Defence Force.

252 All questions relating to the provision of uniform shall be decided by the Officer Commanding the Corps.

253 Members of the Mounted Rifles or Infantry Reserve shall not be required to attend any parades, but, in order to qualify and earn the capitation grant, all ranks must fire an annual course of musketry, the rules for which shall be laid down by the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force. Members of the

Ceylon Garrison Artillery Reserve must attend coast camp for five days every second year. Members of the Ceylon Engineer Reserve will fire an annual course of musketry as laid down by the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force and attend one camp of four continuous night runs every year as laid down, for members of the Ceylon Engineers.

254 The annual capitation grant for reservists who are passed as efficient under rule 253 will be Rs. 10.

255 A reservist who carries out the full training required from an active soldier of the Defence Force shall be entitled to the full capitation grant of Rs. 30.

256 Commanding Officers may permit reservists to attend parades and camps, and those who do attend under this rule shall be entitled to the same allowance as active soldiers of the Defence Force.

257 When a Commanding Officer considers that a reservist has become inefficient, he shall call on him to resign.

258 The Commanding Officer shall have the power to discharge any reservist who declines to resign when called upon to do so, or who fails to make himself efficient for three years in succession, or who is guilty of disobedience of orders or misconduct. The existence and sufficiency of any of the above reasons for discharge to be judged by the Commanding Officer.

Section XIII.—Ceylon Cadet Battalion, Ceylon Defence Force.

259 The Cadet Battalion will consist of—

- (a) Senior Cadets (boys over 16 years of age).
- (b) Junior Cadets (boys 13–16 years of age).

1. *Organization.*—The Battalion will be organized as under :—

Officer Commanding with the rank of Major.

Second in command with the rank of Captain.

Assistant Adjutant.

Quartermaster.

One officer per company with the rank of Captain.

One officer per platoon with the rank of Lieutenant or Second Lieutenant.

A COMPANY.

Officer Commanding Company with rank of Captain.

Senior Cadets.

Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons, Royal College : 2 Subalterns.

Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons, St. Thomas's College : 2 Subalterns.

Junior Cadets.

Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons, Royal College : 2 Subalterns.

Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons, St. Thomas's College : 2 Subalterns.

B COMPANY.

Officer Commanding Company with rank of Captain.

Senior Cadets.

Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons, St. Joseph's College : 2 Subalterns.

No. 7 Platoon, St. Benedict's College : 1 Subaltern.

No. 8 Platoon, Wesley College : 1 Subaltern.

Junior Cadets.

Nos. 5 and 6 Platoons, St. Joseph's College : 2 Subalterns.
Nos. 7 and 7A Platoons, St. Benedict's College : 2 Subalterns.
No. 8 Platoon, Wesley College : 1 Subaltern.

C COMPANY.

Officer Commanding Company with rank of Captain.

Senior Cadets.

No. 9 Platoon, Trinity College : 1 Subaltern.
No. 10 Zahira College : 1 Subaltern.
No. 11 Platoon, St. Anthony's College : 1 Subaltern.
No. 12 Platoon, Kingswood College : 1 Subaltern.

Junior Cadets.

Nos. 9 and 9A Platoons, Trinity College : 1 Subaltern.
No. 10 Zahira College : 1 Subaltern
Nos. 11 and 11A Platoons, St. Anthony's College : 2 Subalterns
No. 12 Platoon, Kingswood College : 1 Subaltern.

D COMPANY.

Officer Commanding Company with rank of Captain.

Senior Cadets.

No. 13 Platoon, Richmond College }
No. 14 Platoon, St. Aloysius's College } 1 Subaltern.
No. 15 Platoon, Prince of Wales's College }
No. 16 Platoon, St. John's College }

Junior Cadets.

No. 13 Platoon, Richmond College }
No. 14 Platoon, St. Aloysius's College } 1 Subaltern.
No. 15 Platoon, Prince of Wales's College }
No. 16 Platoon, St. John's College }

E COMPANY.

Officer Commanding with rank of Captain.

Senior Cadets.

No. 17 Platoon, St. John's College, Jaffna : 1 Subaltern.
No. 18 Platoon, St. Patrick's College, Jaffna : 1 Subaltern.
Nos. 19 and 20 Platoons, Ananda College : 2 Subalterns.

Junior Cadets.

No. 17 Platoon, St. John's College, Jaffna : 1 Subaltern.
No. 18 Platoon, St. Patrick's College, Jaffna : 1 Subaltern.
Nos. 19 and 20 Platoons, Ananda College : 2 Subalterns.

F COMPANY.

Senior Cadets.

To be formed when there are sufficient boys over 16 years of age qualified to be enrolled as Senior Cadets.

Junior Cadets.

- No. 21 Platoon, All Saints' College : 1 Subaltern.
- No. 22 Platoon, Holy Cross School : 1 Subaltern.
- No. 23 Platoon, Gampaha Government English School : 1 Subaltern.
- No. 24 Platoon, St. Thomas' School, Matara : 1 Subaltern.

G COMPANY.

Senior Cadets.

To be formed when there are sufficient boys over 16 years of age to be enrolled as Senior Cadets.

Junior Cadets.

- No. 25 Platoon, Uva Collegiate School
 - No. 26 Platoon, St. Michael's College, Batticaloa
 - No. 27 Platoon, Central College, Batticaloa
- } 1 Subaltern

2. *Training.*—(a) The Cadets will train at their schools as platoons and as companies or as a battalion at such times and places as the Officer Commanding the Battalion arranges in conjunction with the authorities of the various colleges.

(b) (i.) *Drill : Senior Cadets.*—Thirty-six drills per annum to include a course of physical training. Attendance at camp counts 12 drills.

Junior Cadets.—Thirty drills per annum to include a course of physical training.

(ii.) *Musketry : Senior Cadets.*—As laid down from time to time by the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force. Senior Cadets will annually fire the course prescribed for Cadets.

Junior Cadets.—Musketry course with miniature rifles. The practices and amount of ammunition used to be left to the Officer Commanding, Cadet Battalion.

(iii.) *Camp : Senior Cadets.*—An annual camp will be held in Diyatalawa. The cost of this camp to be met from Ceylon Defence Force Vote.

Junior Cadets.—School Camps may be held as desired by the Officer Commanding, Cadet Battalion, and the Principals.

(iv.) *Dress : Senior Cadets.*—Service dress khaki drill (Drill order only). Helmet with regimental badge on school colours. Shoulder badges consisting of the letters C. C. B. and shoulder letters forming the name of the college will be worn on the shirts one inch below the shoulder strap.

Junior Cadets.—Khaki drill. Shorts and shirts with black shoulder straps piped with yellow. Slouch felt hats with the school badge on the upturned brim will be worn.

(c) *Promotions.*—The officers and non-commissioned officers will be appointed by the Officer Commanding in conjunction with the Principals of the schools to which the platoon or platoons belong.

Officers will be appointed on probation in the first instance, and must attend an Officers' Training Camp and pass a qualifying test before being gazetted.

3. *Funds.*—The cost of the Senior Cadets will be met as at present from the Ceylon Defence Force Vote.

The cost of the Junior Cadets will be met from the votes of the Education Department. The Officer Commanding, Cadet Battalion, has power to increase the number of Cadet Platoons if funds are available, and to make any changes which may be necessary in the organization of the Battalion.

Appendix A.

Ordinance No. 8 of 1910.

An Ordinance to make better provision for the good order and discipline of the Local Forces of Ceylon.

(As amended by No. 12 of 1912, No. 22 of 1914, No. 42 of 1916,* No. 1 of 1918, No. 20 of 1918,† No. 8 of 1920,‡ and No. 18 of 1922.)
(See No. 1 of 1918.)

Preamble,

WHEREAS it is expedient to make better provision for the good order and discipline of the local forces of the Colony: Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Short title and division into parts.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

1 This Ordinance may be cited as "*The Defence Force Ordinance, 1910*," and is divided into parts as follows:

[§ 2, 23 of 1914.]
[§ 2, 42 of 1916.]

- Part I.—*Soldiers of the Defence Force.*
- Part II.—*The Governor's Bodyguard.*
- Part III.—*Town Guards.*
- Part IV.—*Obligatory Provisions.*
- Part V.—*Registration.*

PART I.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

Soldiers of the Defence Force.

Repeal and commencement.

2 (1) There shall be repealed as from the commencement of this Ordinance the enactments specified in Schedule I. to this Ordinance to the extent in the third column of that schedule mentioned. Any *Defence Force Corps* formed under any Ordinance hereby repealed shall, from the commencement of this Ordinance, be subject to the provisions of this Ordinance.

(2) This Ordinance shall come into operation on such date as the Governor shall, by Proclamation in the *Government Gazette*, appoint.‡

Interpretation.
[§ 2, 18 of 1922.]

3 In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires—
"General or other Officer Commanding the Troops" means the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops in the Colony, and includes the officer for the time being commanding the troops in the Colony, but does not include, except when on active service, an officer of lower rank than Colonel who is in command of the troops in consequence of the death, absence, or inability to act of the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops.

* Proclaimed from January 26, 1917, by Proclamation dated January 26, 1917, in *Government Gazette* No. 6,850 of January 26, 1917.—*Edd.*

† Proclaimed from January 24, 1919, by Proclamation dated January 24, 1919, in *Government Gazette* No. 6,991 of January 24, 1919.—*Edd.*

‡ Proclaimed from September 17, 1920, by Proclamation dated September 17, 1920, in *Government Gazette* No. 7,129 dated September 17, 1920.—*Edd.*

§ Proclaimed by Proclamation of August 15, 1910, in *Government Gazette* No. 6,898 of August 19, 1910.—*Edd.*

“ **Commandant** ” means the **Commandant of the Defence Force** forces in Ceylon, or any officer who may be appointed by the Governor to discharge the duties of the **Commandant** in consequence of the death, absence, or inability to act of the **Commandant**.

“ **Commanding Officer of a corps** ” means the officer appointed to command the corps, or in his absence the senior officer for the time being in command of the corps.

“ **Officer** ” means a person holding a commission as officer in a **Defence Force Corps**.

“ **Soldier of the Defence Force** ” means a member of a **Defence Force Corps** not being an officer.

“ **Appointments** ” includes accoutrements and equipments of every kind other than clothing.

Organization of Defence Force Corps.

4 (1) It shall be lawful for the Governor to accept the services of any persons desiring to be formed under this Ordinance into a **Defence Force Corps**, and offering their services; and on such acceptance being notified in the *Government Gazette*, the proposed corps shall be deemed lawfully formed under this Ordinance.

Governor may accept services of corps.

(2) Any such corps shall be designated by such style as the Governor shall order.

(3) It shall be lawful for the Governor in Executive Council to authorize the formation of reserve **Defence Force Corps** or companies of *soldiers of the Defence Force* subject to such rules and regulations as the Governor in Executive Council may from time to time prescribe.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

5 The officers of a **Defence Force Corps** shall be commissioned by the Governor, and such commission shall not be deemed vacated by the death or retirement from office of the Governor by which the same was issued.

Officer's commission to be issued by Governor.

6 (1) Subject as hereinafter mentioned, any *soldier of the Defence Force* may, except when on active service, claim his discharge on complying with the following conditions:

Power for soldier of the Defence Force to quit corps on conditions.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(i.) Giving to the **Commanding Officer** of his corps fourteen days' notice in writing of his intention to claim his discharge;

(ii.) Delivering up in good order (fair wear and tear only excepted) all arms, clothing, and appointments being public property or property of his corps issued to him; and

(iii.) Paying all money due or becoming due by him under the rules of his corps, either before or at the date or by reason of his discharge from the corps;

and thereupon he shall be struck out of the muster roll of the corps by the **Commanding Officer**.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) If any soldier of the Defence Force gives such notice and the Commanding Officer refuses to strike him out of the muster roll and the soldier of the Defence Force considers himself aggrieved thereby, the soldier of the Defence Force may appeal to a Police Magistrate, who shall hear and determine the appeal, and may for the purposes thereof administer oaths and examine any person as a witness: and if it appears to such Police Magistrate that the arms, clothing, and appointments issued to the soldier of the Defence Force, being public property or property of his corps, have been delivered up in good order (fair wear and tear excepted), and that he has paid or is ready to pay sufficient compensation for any damages that such articles may have sustained, and that all moneys due or becoming due by him under this Ordinance or under the rules of his corps either before or at the time of or by reason of his quitting it have been paid, such Police Magistrate may order the Commanding Officer forthwith to strike such soldier of the Defence Force out of the muster roll, and such determination shall be binding on all persons.

(3) Nothing in this section contained shall authorize any soldier of the Defence Force to obtain his discharge, except with the consent of the Governor, before the expiration of any period of service for which he may have by writing engaged to serve.

Soldiers of the
Defence Force to
be under
command
of officers of
regular forces.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

7 Whenever any soldiers of the Defence Force are on active service, or are undergoing drill, exercise, or inspection together with or are voluntarily doing any duty together with His Majesty's regular forces or any portion thereof not being the permanent or temporary staff of such force, they and their officers shall, subject to regulations under this Ordinance, be under the command of the officers of His Majesty's regular forces, so, nevertheless, that the soldiers of the Defence Force shall, when the circumstances of the service admit, be led by their own officers under such command.

Annual
inspection.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]
[§ 3, 18 of 1922.]

8 Inspection of every Defence Force Corps shall be held by the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops or by some officer of His Majesty's regular forces nominated by the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops, and at such times (at least once in every year) as the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops may direct. In the event of the absence from the Colony of the General or other Officer Commanding, the Governor may request the Officer Commanding the Troops to nominate the inspecting officer, and for the purposes of this Ordinance such inspecting officer shall be deemed to have been nominated by the General or other Officer Commanding.

Requisites of
efficiency to be
declared by
General or other
Officer
Commanding
[§ 4, 18 of 1922.]

9 The General or other Officer Commanding the Troops shall, after consultation with the Commandant, by means of regulations, lay down conditions of efficiency, to be approved by the Governor, which conditions shall specify the drill and courses of instruction to be attended, the musketry practice to be executed, and the proficiency to be attained before a soldier of the Defence Force can be passed as efficient.

10 The Governor may disband or discontinue the services of any *Defence Force Corps* or any part thereof whenever it seems to him expedient to do so.

Disbanding of corps.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

11 (1) The General or other Officer Commanding the Troops, with the approval of the Governor, may at any time assemble a court of inquiry composed of officers of the *Defence Force Corps* to inquire into any matter relative to any *Defence Force Corps* or to any officer or *soldier of the Defence Force*, and to record the facts and circumstances ascertained on such inquiry, and, if so required, to report on the same for the information of the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops.

Courts of inquiry.
[§ 3, 18 of 1922.]

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

[§ 3, 18 of 1922.]

(2) The Commanding Officer of a *Defence Force Corps* may at any time assemble a court of inquiry composed either of officers and *soldiers of the Defence Force* belonging to the corps or of such officers or of such *soldiers of the Defence Force* to inquire into any matter relative to the corps or any *soldier of the Defence Force* not being an officer, and to record the facts and circumstances ascertained on such inquiry, and, if so required, to report on the same for the information and assistance of the Commanding Officer.

(3) The Governor may call for a report of any court of inquiry, and may take such action thereon as he may deem fit.

[§ 3, 12 of 1912.]

12 (1) The General or other Officer Commanding the Troops may, after consultation with the Commandant, make regulations, to be approved by the Governor, respecting anything in this Ordinance directed or authorized to be done or provided by regulation, and also such regulations as may seem fit (not being inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Ordinance) respecting—

Power for the General or other Officer Commanding to make regulations for government of *Defence Force*.

[§ 5, 18 of 1922.]

- (a) The appointment, promotion, and rank of officers ;
- (b) The assembling and proceedings of courts of inquiry ;
- (c) Generally the execution of this Ordinance, and the general government, discipline, and training of the *Defence Force*.

(2) For the purpose of the discipline and training of all officers and soldiers of the *Defence Force*, whether persons to whom part IV. of the Ordinance applies or not, the power to make regulations under this section shall include power to make regulations for all the purposes referred to in paragraph (b) of section 40, in the same manner as if such officers or soldiers were in all cases persons to whom the said part applies.

Active Service.

13 (1) In case of great national emergency, or in case of actual or apprehended invasion of or attack on the Colony, or of rebellion, insurrection, or other civil disturbance, the Governor may by Proclamation call out any *Defence Force Corps* or portion thereof for active service.

Governor may call out soldiers of the *Defence Force* for active service in case of national emergency, invasion, &c.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) Every officer and soldier of the *Defence Force* belonging to every corps or portion thereof so called out shall be bound to assemble at such place as may be directed by the Governor,

and to perform such service as may be required under the orders of the senior officer in command of His Majesty's troops in this Colony.

(3) Every such officer and *soldier of the Defence Force* from the time of his corps or the portion thereof to which he belongs being so called out shall, for the purposes of this Ordinance, be deemed on active service. If any such officer or *soldier of the Defence Force*, not incapacitated by infirmity for service, refuses or neglects so to assemble he shall be deemed a deserter.

(4) The period of such service shall continue so long as the Governor shall consider necessary, and shall end only by Proclamation of the Governor.

(5) Nothing in this Ordinance shall render any officer or *soldier of the Defence Force* liable to serve or proceed on duty without his consent beyond the limits of the Colony.

Soldiers of the Defence Force when called out on service to be entitled to pay and quarters.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

14 All persons enrolled in any *Defence Force Corps* when called out on active service by the Governor shall be entitled to pay and allowances in such manner and after such rates and condition and to be quartered or billeted in like manner in every respect and under and subject to the same regulations as His Majesty's other forces, as far as the same shall by the Governor be deemed applicable to the *Defence Force Corps*.

Relief to families of soldiers of the Defence Force called out on service.

15 All persons enrolled, who shall when called out on such active service as aforesaid leave families unable to support themselves, shall during the period of their absence on active service be entitled to relief for their wives and families, and it shall be lawful for the Governor to fix the amount of such relief.

When travelling expenses are payable to soldiers of the Defence Force.

16 Whenever any person enrolled as aforesaid shall be called out on active service as aforesaid away from his place of residence, he shall be entitled to receive his travelling expenses from and to such residence, and it shall be lawful for the Governor to fix the rate and amount of such expenses.

Pensions to officers and soldiers disabled on service, and to widows and families of those killed on service or died within three years after being so disabled.

[§ 6, 18 of 1922.]

17 All officers and soldiers of the *Defence Force* who shall have received wounds or injuries while on active service as aforesaid, or contracted any illness directly traceable to fatigue or exposure incident to such active service, and the widows and families of all such officers and soldiers of the *Defence Force* who may have been killed or have died within three years after having been wounded or injured, of wounds or injuries received during such active service, or have died within three years from illness directly traceable to fatigue or exposure incident to such active service, shall be entitled to such pensions or gratuities as shall be fixed by the Governor in Executive Council: Provided that no pension under this section shall exceed the sum of one thousand rupees per annum, and that no gratuity shall exceed the sum of one thousand rupees.

As to discipline while not on active service.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

Discipline.

18 With respect to the discipline of officers and *soldiers of the Defence Force* while they are not on active service, or undergoing drill, exercise, training, or inspection together

with or voluntarily doing any duty together with His Majesty's regular forces or any part thereof, the following provisions shall take effect :

(i.) The Commanding Officer of a *Defence Force Corps* may, subject to such appeal to the Commandant as hereinafter mentioned, discharge from the corps any *soldier of the Defence Force* and strike him out of the muster roll either for disobedience of orders by him while doing any duty with his corps, or for neglect of duty or misconduct by him as a member of the corps, or for other sufficient cause ; the existence and sufficiency of *such cause* to be judged of by the Commanding Officer, or in case of appeal by the Commandant.

[§ 4, 12 of 1912.]

(ii.) The *soldier of the Defence Force* so discharged shall, nevertheless, be liable to deliver up in good order (fair wear and tear only excepted) all arms, clothing and appointments being public property or property of his corps issued to him, and pay all moneys due or becoming due by him under this Ordinance or under the rules of his corps either before or at the time or by reason of his discharge ; but any *soldier of the Defence Force* who feels aggrieved by such discharge may appeal to the Commandant within a reasonable time after such discharge, and the Commandant may cancel or confirm such discharge or give such other direction with reference thereto as to him may seem just and proper, and such determination shall be binding on all persons.

(iii.) If any such officer or *soldier of the Defence Force* as aforesaid while—

- (a) He is on the line of march or on duty with the corps to which he belongs or any part thereof ; or
- (b) He is engaged in any exercise or drill with such corps or any part thereof ; or
- (c) He is wearing the clothing or accoutrements of such corps, and is going to or returning from any place of exercise, drill, or assembly of such corps, or is otherwise on duty,

disobeys any lawful order of any officer under whose command he then is, or is guilty of misconduct, the officer then in command of the corps or any superior officer under whose command the corps then is may order the offender, if an officer, into arrest, and if not an officer, into the custody of any *soldier of the Defence Force* belonging to the corps ; provided that the offender be not kept in such arrest or custody longer than during the time of the corps or such portion thereof as aforesaid then remaining on march or duty, or continuing engaged in any such exercise or drill as aforesaid, or otherwise on duty ; and for the purposes of this provision any such officer or *soldier of the Defence Force* while going to or returning from any place of exercise, drill, or assembly of his corps shall be deemed to be on duty as long as he continues to wear the clothing or accoutrements of such corps.

(iv.) Every such arrest shall be forthwith reported to the Commanding Officer of the corps or such other officer as may be prescribed.

Discipline of soldiers of the Defence Force when undergoing drill, &c., with regular forces.

[§ 6, 12 of 1912.]

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

19 (1) *With respect to the discipline of officers and soldiers of the Defence Force when they are undergoing drill, exercise, training, or inspection, or voluntarily doing any other duty in conjunction with any part of His Majesty's Regular Forces, other than officers or non-commissioned officers permanently or temporarily attached to the staff of the Defence Force, the following provisions shall take effect :*

The Army Act and any other Act for the time being amending the same shall, in so far as the same are applicable to officers and soldiers of the Defence Force respectively and are consistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, apply to all officers and soldiers of the Defence Force, with the following modifications only :

(a) *That no officer or soldier of the Defence Force shall for any offence against such Act or Acts be subjected to the penalty of death.*

(b) *That no sentence of a court martial assembled in Ceylon for the trial of any officer or soldier of the Defence Force shall be carried into execution unless confirmed by the Governor.*

Discipline of soldiers of the Defence Force when on active service with regular forces.

(2) *Where the Defence Force or any part thereof or any other force raised in the Colony is on active service with part of His Majesty's Regular Forces, whether within or without the limits of the Colony, the Army Act and any Act for the time being amending the same shall apply to the officers and soldiers of such force in like manner as they apply to the officers and men of the Regular Forces.*

Rules and Property of Corps.

Power for corps to make rules.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

20 (1) *The members of a Defence Force Corps may from time to time make rules for the management of the property, finances, and civil affairs of the corps, and may alter or repeal any such rules ; but any such rules shall not have effect unless or until the Commanding Officer of the corps thinks fit to transmit the same to the Governor for his approval through the Commandant, and such approval has been notified by the Governor to the Commanding Officer of the corps to be by him forthwith communicated to the corps : whereupon the rules so approved shall be binding on all members of the corps, and shall be published in the Government Gazette.*

(2) *A copy of the rules in print or writing or partly in print and partly in writing, certified under the hand of the Commanding Officer as a true copy of the rules whereof such approval has been notified as aforesaid, shall be conclusive evidence of the rules of the corps.*

Vesting of property of corps in Commanding Officer ex officio.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

21 *All moneys subscribed by or to or for the use of a Defence Force Corps, and all effects belonging to any such corps or lawfully used by it, not being the property of an individual member of the corps, and the exclusive right to sue for and recover current subscriptions, arrears of subscriptions, and other moneys due to the corps, shall vest in the Commanding Officer of the corps for the time being and his successors in*

office, with power for him and his successors to sue, to make contracts and conveyances, and to do all other lawful things relating thereto; and any civil or criminal proceedings taken by virtue of this section by the Commanding Officer of a corps shall not be discontinued or abated by his death, resignation, or removal from office, but may be carried on and in the name of his successor in office.

22 If any person fails to deliver up in good order (fair wear and tear excepted) any arms, clothing, or appointments which he is liable under this Ordinance or the rules framed hereunder to deliver up, he shall be liable to pay to the Commanding Officer of the corps the value thereof, as such value shall be determined by a general committee constituted in accordance with the rules framed under this Ordinance.

Soldiers of the Defence Force failing to give up arms, &c., when liable to do so to pay value thereof.

23 If any person belonging or having belonged to a Defence Force Corps neglects or refuses to pay anything subscribed or undertaken to be paid by him towards any of the funds or expenses of such corps, or due under the rules of such corps and actually payable by him, or to pay any fine incurred by him under the rules of such corps, such money or fine shall (without prejudice to any other remedy) be recoverable from him with costs at any time within eighteen months after the same becomes due and payable in manner hereinafter mentioned, and when recovered shall be applied as part of the general funds of the corps.

Recovery of subscriptions and fines.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

Miscellaneous.

24 Any money or fine recoverable under this Ordinance may be recovered in the Court of Requests, notwithstanding the amount may be in excess of the ordinary jurisdiction of that court.

Recovery of fine, &c.

25 The Commanding Officer of any Defence Force Corps may appear in any Court of Requests or before any Police Magistrate by any member of the corps authorized by him in writing under his hand.

Appearance in court of Commanding Officer.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]
Exemption from taxation.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

26 (1) Every mounted officer, and every mounted orderly of a Defence Force Corps, and every member of such corps while he belongs to a troop of cavalry in such corps, shall be at liberty to keep one horse without being liable to pay in respect thereof any municipal or other tax imposed upon horses.

(2) No toll shall be chargeable for the horses, animals, or conveyances of *soldiers of the Defence Force* going to or returning from the performance of any military duty, or for any vehicles employed in the course of such duty in conveying the arms, ammunition, accoutrements, uniforms, provisions, and baggage which are *bona fide* the property of any Defence Force Corps. Where such horses, animals, or conveyances are not in charge of *soldiers of the Defence Force* wearing the uniform of their corps, a certificate purporting to be under the hand of an officer of the corps to the effect that such horses, animals, or conveyances are employed on military duty shall be conclusive evidence that the same are exempt from payment of tolls.

(3) Letters being strictly on His Majesty's service and bearing on the outside or cover thereof the signature of any officer of the *Defence Force* Corps from whom they shall have been sent, and also words or letters indicating that such letters are on His Majesty's service only, will be received and forwarded by any post office in the Island free of postage. And should any private note or private communication of any sort or kind whatever be written or printed on or contained in any such official letter, it shall be deemed an offence, and any person found guilty thereof will be liable on conviction to any fine not exceeding fifty rupees.

[§ 6, 12 of 1912.]

(4) All arms, *ammunition*, accoutrements, or uniforms consigned to any officer of the *Defence Force* Corps being the property of the corps shall be passed by the customs duty free, on the officer to whom they are consigned delivering to the Collector of Customs a list of the articles and certifying at the foot thereof that they are *bona fide* the property of the corps. Provided always that all such property shall, in case of the sale thereof after importation, be liable to and be charged with such and the same duties of customs as may by law be payable or charged on the like property not being the property of the *Defence Force* Corps.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(5) All officers and *soldiers of any Defence Force Corps* of this Island shall be and they are hereby exempted from the liability to labour imposed by section 49 of Ordinance No. 10 of 1861, and from any tax payable in labour or in money in commutation of such labour under "The Municipal Councils Ordinance, 1887,"* "The Nuwara Eliya Board of Improvement Ordinance, 1896," "The Local Boards Ordinance, 1898," "The Small Towns Sanitary Ordinances, 1892 to 1909."

Provided that in the case of *soldiers of the Defence Force* they shall not be entitled in any year to such exemption as aforesaid unless it shall have been previously certified to the local authority by the Officer Commanding such corps or by the Adjutant or any other commissioned officer specially authorized thereto by such Officer Commanding that such *soldiers of the Defence Force* are *bona fide* efficient *soldiers of the Defence Force*.

For the purposes of this sub-section "local authority" means the District Committee, Municipal Council, Local Board, Board of Improvement, Nuwara Eliya, or Sanitary Board authorized by law to enforce the liability to labour or to impose a tax payable in labour or in money in commutation of such labour.

Capitation
grant.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

27 It shall be lawful for the Colonial Treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, to pay to the Commanding Officer of every *Defence Force* Corps for the purposes of the corps, such sums in each year as shall be fixed by the Governor for every *soldier of the Defence Force* returned as efficient in the annual returns of a corps, in accordance with any regulation passed under section 9, who is certified by the Commanding Officer to have attended not less than the prescribed number

of drills or parades within the year, and also such special grants as shall from time to time be fixed by the Governor, but such payment shall not be made unless the officer nominated in accordance with section 8 hereof certifies that the corps has been inspected by him and is in a state of efficiency.

28 Every member of a *Defence Force* Corps shall on his admission or as soon afterwards as may be take the oath or make the affirmation set forth in schedule II. to this Ordinance, to be administered by a Justice of the Peace or by an officer of his corps who has taken such oath or affirmation.

Oath of
allegiance.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

29 Whoever assaults or resists or abets within the meaning of the Ceylon Penal Code any person in assaulting or resisting any member of the corps in the discharge of his duty shall be punishable on conviction before a Police Magistrate with fine not exceeding one hundred rupees, or with imprisonment of either description for any term not exceeding six months, or with both.

Assaulting
or resisting
member of
corps.

30 (1) Nothing in this Ordinance shall be held to interfere with the command of the *Defence Force* which is vested in the Commandant as senior officer responsible to the Governor for all matters connected with the force, except when acting with regular forces of the Crown or when called out under section 13.

Saving clause
with regard to
authority of
Commandant
and Governor.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) Nothing in this Ordinance shall be taken to abridge, curtail, or affect the power vested in the Governor as Commander-in-Chief of the Colony and its dependencies.

31 (1) A scheme may be established in manner hereinafter appearing for the insurance of the horses of members of the Ceylon *Defence Force* who are required to use horses in the performance of their duties. It shall be provided by such scheme of insurance that all members of the Ceylon *Defence Force* who are required to use horses as aforesaid shall pay to the general revenue, in respect of each such horse, such annual sum by way of premium as shall be prescribed by regulation ; and, that in the event of the death or permanent disablement of any such horse, the insurer shall receive from the Public Treasury such compensation as shall be prescribed by regulations.

Insurance of
horses.
[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) The Governor in Executive Council may from time to time make, and when made may rescind, vary, or revoke such regulations as may be considered necessary for the establishment and administration of the scheme of insurance, and for the regulation of all matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

(3) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by the last preceding section such regulations may provide—

(a) For the appointment of a committee to manage all matters connected with the scheme of insurance.

(b) For the determination of the value of horses for the purposes of insurance, and for prescribing the maximum amount at which horses will be valued for such purpose.

- (c) For prescribing the percentage of the value of horses which shall be paid annually by way of premium, and the manner and time of such payment.
- (d) For prescribing the description of horses, as regards age and soundness, which will be accepted for insurance, and for limiting the number of horses which may be insured by any *soldier of the Defence Force*.
- (e) For defining the risks against which insurers will be indemnified.
- (f) For prescribing the evidence which will be required in proof of the death or permanent disablement of an insured horse.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(4) Upon production of a certificate under the hand of a person authorized by regulation to give the same that a *soldier of the Defence Force* is entitled to compensation, the Treasurer shall pay to such *soldier of the Defence Force* the amount certified to be due to him out of the moneys voted for the purpose by the Legislative Council.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

PART II.

The Governor's Bodyguard.

The Governor's
Bodyguard.

32 (1) The corps of mounted men known as the Governor's Bodyguard shall be composed of men voluntarily recruited from the Indian Army under such conditions of service as the Governor shall from time to time determine with the concurrence of the Governor-General of India.

Subject to such conditions, and to the provisions of this section, the Governor's Bodyguard shall be governed by the Indian Articles of War.

(2) The Governor's Bodyguard shall be considered to be a unit of the local forces of Ceylon, shall be commanded by an aide-de-camp of the Governor's staff, and shall be under the administration of the Commandant, but, save as provided by the provisions of this section, the provisions of this Ordinance shall not be applicable to the Governor's Bodyguard.

[§ 3, 22 of 1914.]

PART III.

Town Guards.

Town Guards.

33 (1) The Governor in time of war or other emergency may authorize the formation of a Town Guard for the defence and protection of any town in the Colony and of its vicinity, under such special regulations under section 12 as he may approve, or pending the making of such regulations under such conditions as he may determine.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) Upon the publication of such authorization in the Government Gazette, every such Town Guard shall constitute a Defence Force Corps, and all the provisions of the Ordinance shall, with the necessary modifications, apply thereto.

Provided that the Governor in Executive Council may exempt any Town Guard from any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

PART IV.

[§ 3, 12 of 1916.]

Obligatory Provisions.

34 (1) This part of the Ordinance shall apply to the following persons (not being members of His Majesty's Navy or Army, * * or of the Police Force of the Colony), that is to say—

Application of Part IV.

[* * Repealed by § 2, 8 of 1920.]

Every European of the male sex resident in the Colony who is a British subject, and is between the ages of eighteen and fifty.

(2) If any question arises as to whether any person is a person to whom this part of the Ordinance applies, such question shall be referred to the Governor in Executive Council, and the decision of the Governor in Executive Council shall be final.

35 (1) Within one month of such date as shall be fixed by the Governor by Proclamation in that behalf, or in the case of persons to whom this part of the Ordinance shall become applicable subsequently to that date within three months of the date on which it becomes applicable, it shall be obligatory on every person to whom this part of the Ordinance applies who is not a soldier of the Defence Force—

Obligatory enlistment.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(a) If he has attained the age of eighteen and has not yet attained the age of forty-one, to enroll himself in a Defence Force Corps formed under this Ordinance. Provided that for the purposes of this paragraph a Defence Force Corps shall not be deemed to include a Town Guard other than the Colombo Town Guard.

[See § 4 (3).]

(b) If he has attained the age of forty-one and has not yet attained that of fifty, to enroll himself in a Town Guard which shall have been constituted a Defence Force Corps under this Ordinance, or as a member of the reserve of any Defence Force Corps.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(2) The General or other Officer Commanding the Troops may, in any case in which in his opinion military exigencies so require, transfer any person enrolled as a soldier of the Defence Force to whom this part of the Ordinance applies from any Defence Force Corps or company to any other Defence Force Corps or company which he may specify, and it shall be the duty of every such person to serve in the corps or company to which he is so transferred. Provided that any person so transferred shall be entitled within such time as may be prescribed to appeal to the Governor in Executive Council, whose decision shall be final.

[§ 3, 18 of 1922.]

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

(3) Any person who has completed five years' service in a Defence Force Corps referred to in paragraph (a) of sub-section (1) of this section, and has attained the age of thirty years, may claim to be transferred to a reserve company of his corps. Provided that the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops may prohibit or cancel such transfer if he is satisfied that military exigencies so require.

[§ 2, 1 of 1918.]

[§ 3, 18 of 1918.]

(4) (a) Notwithstanding anything in this section contained the Governor may direct that any person to whom this part of the Ordinance applies who has served outside the Colony, in any of His Majesty's Naval or Military Forces, or in the Royal Air Force, during the present war, shall, instead of enrolling himself

[§ 3, 8 of 1920.]

in any Defence Force Corps or reserve thereof, or in any Town Guard, be placed on the general reserve, or on the reserve of any Defence Force Corps. Provided that the Governor may, if and when he thinks fit, cancel such appointment to such general reserve or reserve of a Defence Force Corps and direct any such person to enrol himself in a Defence Force Corps, and thereupon the provisions of this part of the Ordinance as to the liability to enrol himself shall become applicable to such person.

(b) The Governor may, if and when he thinks fit, direct any such person to be again placed on such general reserve or reserve of a Defence Force Corps, but without prejudice to the power of the Governor to direct any such person again to enrol himself in a Defence Corps as and when the Governor thinks fit to give any such direction.

Power to
prescribe drills,
&c.

[§ 3, 18 of 1922.]
§ 3, 42 of 1916.]

36 (1) With reference to persons to whom this part of the Ordinance applies, the power of the General or other Officer Commanding the Troops to make regulations under section 12 shall include power to make regulations regarding such persons at prescribed dates or within prescribed intervals—

- (a) Until they attain the prescribed standard of efficiency, to attend the drills and courses of instruction, and to execute the practice prescribed for the purpose of the attainment of such standard ; and
- (b) After they attain such standard, to attend the drills and courses of instruction, and to execute the practice prescribed for the purpose of maintaining the standard so attained.

(2) Such regulations shall be published in the Government Gazette, and shall not come into force until the expiration of a period of forty days from the date of publication. Provided that if, before the expiration of the period of forty days, notice of objection is given in writing by any member of the Legislative Council to the Clerk of the Council, no regulation to which objection is taken shall come into force until approved with or without modification by the Legislative Council.

Offences.

37 Any person to whom this part of the Ordinance applies, who—

- (a) Infringes any provision of section 35 of this Ordinance ;
or
- (b) Refuses or neglects to take the oath or affirmation of allegiance provided for by section 28.

shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred rupees, or in the case of an offence which is in the nature of a continuing default, not exceeding fifty rupees for every day during which the default continues, or if such fine be not duly paid, to imprisonment of either description for a period not exceeding three months.

Committees.

38 (1) The Governor may, for the purposes of this part of the Ordinance, appoint committees composed of such number of persons and with such local jurisdiction as he may determine, and every such committee shall have power to order the exemption of any person from the application of this part of the Ordinance on

the ground of the ill-health or infirmity of such person, or on the ground that the place of residence of such person renders compliance with the provisions of this part of the Ordinance impracticable, or for any other prescribed cause.

(2) Any person aggrieved by any refusal of exemption may appeal by petition to the Governor in Executive Council, and the decision of the Governor in Executive Council shall be final.

39 The Governor may by order exempt any person from the application of this part of the Ordinance.

Power of Governor to exempt.

40 The Governor in Executive Council may make rules—

Powers of Governor in Executive Council.

(a) For regulating the procedure to be followed by the committees appointed under section 38, and the exercise of their powers under that section ;

(b) For the trial by the prescribed tribunal of offences committed by persons to whom this part of the Ordinance applies against rules or regulations made under this Ordinance, for the trial of which no other provision is made, and of disciplinary offences committed by such persons, and for the punishment of offences so triable by military detention for a period not exceeding three months, or by a fine not exceeding two hundred rupees, or by such minor military punishments as may be prescribed ;

(c) Generally for the purpose of the execution of the provisions of this part of the Ordinance.

41 Section 6 shall not extend to any person to whom this part of the Ordinance applies.

Exclusion of certain provisions.

Provided that, except during the existence of hostilities, it shall be lawful for any such person to claim his discharge if he is about to leave the Island for a period of not less than six months.

PART V.

[§ 3, 42 of 1916.]

Registration.

42 (1) For the purpose of ascertaining the persons to whom Part IV. of this Ordinance applies, the Governor in Executive Council may make rules for the registration of all male Europeans who shall have resided in the Colony for a period of three months or upwards irrespective of age or nationality.

Registration of all Europeans.

(2) Any person who commits any breach of any provision of such rule shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding two hundred rupees, or, if such fine be not duly paid, to imprisonment of either description for a period not exceeding three months.

(3) If any question arises as to whether any person is a European within the meaning of sub-section (1) of this section, such question shall be referred to the Governor in Executive Council, and the decision of the Governor in Executive Council shall be final.

SCHEDULE I.

No. and Year.	Title or Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
3 of 1861 ..	"An Ordinance to authorize the formation of Volunteer Corps in this Colony, and to provide for the good order and discipline thereof"	The whole
8 of 1881 ..	"An Ordinance to amend the Ordinance No. 3 of 1861, intituled 'An Ordinance to authorize the formation of Volunteer Corps in this Colony, and to provide for the good order and discipline thereof'"	The whole
9 of 1881 ..	"An Ordinance further to amend the Ordinance No. 3 of 1861, intituled 'An Ordinance to authorize the formation of Volunteer Corps in this Colony, and to provide for the good order and discipline thereof'"	The whole
7 of 1884 ..	"An Ordinance to further amend the Ordinance No. 3 of 1861, intituled 'An Ordinance to authorize the formation of Volunteer Corps in this Colony, and to provide for the good order and discipline thereof'"	The whole
11 of 1889 ..	"An Ordinance relating to Volunteers"	The whole
16 of 1890 ..	"The Volunteer Reserve Ordinance, 1890"	The whole
17 of 1890 ..	"An Ordinance relating to Volunteers"	The whole
2 of 1892 ..	"The Coast Defence Volunteer Ordinance, 1892"	The whole
3 of 1899 ..	"The Volunteer Amendment Ordinance, 1899"	The whole

SCHEDULE II.

Oath of Officer and Soldier of the Defence Force.

(Section 28.)

I, A. B., do solemnly promise and swear (or do solemnly, sincerely, and truly affirm and declare) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, and I will faithfully serve His Majesty in Ceylon for the defence of the same against all his enemies and oppressors whatsoever according to the conditions of my service.

(The name of successor of His Majesty King George the Fifth for the time being, with proper words of reference thereto, to be substituted as occasion requires.)

10th August, 1910.

No. 1 of 1918.

An Ordinance relating to the Local Forces of the Colony and the Designation of their Members.

[Date of Governor's assent : March 29, 1918.]

[Date of commencement : March 29, 1918.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to substitute a more appropriate designation for the local forces of the Colony and their members for that hitherto in use : Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows :

Short title.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as "The Ceylon Defence Force (Designation) Ordinance, No. 1 of 1918."

2 In all places in any Ordinance, or in any rules or regulations made thereunder, in which the words or expressions set out in the first column of the schedule to this Ordinance occur the corresponding words or expressions set out in the second column of the said schedule shall be substituted. Substitution of designations.

SCHEDULE.

Volunteer Force	..	Defence Force
Volunteer (as an adjective)	..	Defence Force
Volunteer (as a substantive)	..	Soldier of the Defence Force
Volunteers ..	..	Soldiers of the Defence Force
Corps of Volunteers	..	Defence Force Corps
Volunteers of any Corps	of	Soldiers of any Defence Force Corps
Any force of Volunteers	..	The Defence Force or any part thereof
Volunteers of such force	..	Soldiers of such force

No. 18 of 1922.

An Ordinance further to amend "The Defence Force Ordinance, 1910."

(Part embodied in No. 8 of 1910.)

[Date of Governor's assent : October 21, 1922.]

[Date of commencement : October 21, 1922.]

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend "The Defence Force Ordinance, 1910" : Be it therefore enacted by the Governor of Ceylon, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, thereof, as follows : Preamble.

1 This Ordinance may be cited as "The Defence Force (Amendment) Ordinance, No. 18 of 1922." Short title.

2 (Embodied in principal Ordinance.)

3 In all places in any Ordinance or in any rules or regulations made thereunder, in which there shall appear the expression "General Officer Commanding the Troops," there shall be substituted therefor the expression "General or other Officer Commanding the Troops." New designation of Officer Commanding Troops.

4-6 (Embodied in the principal Ordinance.)

Appendix C.—Examinations.

FOR THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT.

Officers commanding units will examine Second Lieutenants within two years of their first commission regimentally, and will report on the fitness for promotion or otherwise of such Second Lieutenants to the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force.

Subject to a favourable report and the approval of the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force, a Second Lieutenant may be promoted Lieutenant after two and a half years' commissioned service.

Artillery :—

Practical examination in—

- (a) Drill of guns in use in the Corps.
- (b) Duties of Section Commander.
- (c) General knowledge of guns in use, breech mechanisms, ammunition, stores, &c.
- (d) Range finding and position finding.
- (e) Dismounted cavalry drill.

Engineers :—

- (a) Musketry and range practices.
- (b) Charge of electric defence lights.

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head. A written paper will be set in (a) and (b).

Mounted Rifles :—

- (a) Drill and manoeuvres of a troop, including out-posts, advanced, flank and rear guards.
- (b) Riding and stable duty.
- (c) Duties on guard.
- (d) Musketry and range practices.

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head. A written paper will be set in (d).

Infantry :—

- (a) Drill and manoeuvres of a platoon or company, including out-posts, advanced, flank, and rear guards.
- (b) Duties on guard.
- (c) Musketry and range practices.

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head. A written paper will be set in (a) and (c).

Supply and Transport :—

- (a) Duties of a Section Commander.
- (b) General knowledge of ammunition, stores, &c.
- (c) Duties on guard.
- (d) Musketry and range practices.
- (e) Regimental rules and regulations.
- (f) Duties in connection with martial law.
- (g) Examination in the handling of a convoy and in the packing of transport vehicles.
- (h) Supply and transport.

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head. A written paper will be set in (b), (d), and (f).

Medical :—

- (a) Company and stretcher drill.
- (b) Duties of medical officers in peace and war (written).
- (c) Knowledge of field medical equipment, viz., medical companion and surgical haversack, field medical panniers, field surgical panniers, first field dressings (oral).
- (d) Elementary military hygiene (written).

FOR THE RANK OF CAPTAIN.

Artillery :—

- (a) Defence Force Ordinances and Regulations (written).
- (b) General knowledge of Field Service Regulations, Part I. (written).
- (c) Duties of Battery Commander (practical).

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head.

Engineers :—

- (a) Defence Force Ordinances and Regulations (written).
- (b) Details of working and maintenance of electric lights (written).

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head.

Mounted Rifles :—

- (a) Defence Force Ordinances and Regulations (written).
- (b) General knowledge of Field Service Regulations, Part I. (written).
- (c) Command of his unit on detached duty, including map reading (practical).

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head.

Infantry :—

- (a) Defence Force Ordinances and Regulations (written).
- (b) General knowledge of Field Service Regulations, Part I. (written).
- (c) Command of his unit on detached duty including map reading (practical).

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head.

Supply and Transport :—

- (a) Practical map reading (practical).
- (b) Duties of an Area Commander (practical).
- (c) Duties in connection with martial law (written).
- (d) Army Service Corps Manual (written).
- (e) Supply and transport (practical).
- (f) Rules and regulations relating to the Defence Force and the Defence Force Ordinances (written).

100 marks are allotted to each sub-head.

Medical :—

- (a) Defence Force Ordinance and Regulations (written).
- (b) Administration and supply of military hospital (oral).
- (c) Duties of an Officer in charge Detachment and Company Commander, Medical Corps in war and peace (written).
- (d) Geneva Convention (written).
- (e) Practical tests in map reading (oral).

FOR THE RANK OF MAJOR.

Artillery :—

Duties of Battery Commander and Fire Commander (practical) or (b) attached for one month to a regular unit during a period of training and to obtain a satisfactory report from the Officer Commanding.

Engineers
Mounted Rifles
Infantry

{ An Officer will be required, according to the arm of his service, to command a unit of his own arm in a tactical exercise (or a Staff ride) with other troops, or to exercise a fire command.

Supply and Transport :—

An Officer will be required to command the Supply and Transport Corps in a tactical exercise, or a Staff ride with other troops.

Medical :—

- (a) Army medical organization and administration in peace and war (written).
- (b) Sanitation and epidemiology (written).
- (c) Laws and customs of war (written).
- (d) Administration of discipline and military law (oral).
- (e) Tactical exercises (oral).
- (f) Hospital establishments in the field (oral).

FOR NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

The conditions of examinations for non-commissioned officers will be provided for by the regimental rules of each Corps.

Appendix D.—Standard of Recruits.

	Height.	Chest.
	Ft. in.	In.
Ceylon Mounted Rifles ..	5 4	33
Ceylon Artillery ..	5 6	34
Ceylon Engineers ..	5 3	32
Ceylon Light Infantry ..	5 4	32*
Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps ..	5 4	33
Ceylon Cadet Battalion ..	5 0	28 (expanded)
Ceylon Medical Corps ..	5 4	33

* 33 in. at end of first twelve months.

Appendix E.—Efficiency Requirements.**TABLE A.—CEYLON GARRISON ARTILLERY.****Recruits, first year :—**

(a) Squad drills (if present at inspection) ..	20
(b) Squad drills (if absent from inspection) ..	22
(c) Gun drills ..	22

Trained soldiers of the Defence Force second and following years :—

(a) Squad drills ..	4
(b) Gun drills ..	14
(c) Coast camp or Diyatalawa camp ..	1
(d) Half-yearly manning ..	1
(e) C. R. A's. annual inspection ..	1
(f) Musketry ..	—

Requirements for extra personal grant of Rs. 10 :—

(a) Squad drills ..	6
(b) Gun drills ..	16
(c) Full coast camp ..	1
(d) C. R. A's. inspection ..	1
(e) Half-yearly manning or mobilization parades ..	2

Note.—This extra personal grant of Rs. 10 is also given to each of the efficient specialists in depression range finding, position finding, gun laying, signalling, and machine gunners.

TABLE B.—CEYLON ENGINEERS.**First year—Recruits :—**

- (a) 8 squad or company drills.
 - (b) 16 attendances for electric light or signal instruction or running of defence electric lights.
- (Attendance for one relief of whole night run shall count as two parades.)

- (c) Musketry. As laid down by the Ceylon Defence Force Small Arms Course annually.

The fact that a recruit has put in the above number of attendances will not necessarily qualify him as efficient. All recruits to become efficient must be passed as such by the Officer Commanding during their first year.

Second and following years—Trained men :—

- (a) 6 squad or company drills.
(b) 14 attendance for electric light or signal instruction or running of defence electric lights.
(Attendance for one relief of a whole night run shall count as two parades.)
(c) Musketry. As laid down by the Ceylon Defence Force Small Arms Course annually.
(d) Mobilization or Examination Service Practice.

TABLE C.—CEYLON MOUNTED RIFLES.

Recruits, first year :—

- (a) 18 drills.
(b) Qualify in recruit's course of musketry.

Trained soldiers of the Defence Force, second and following years :—

- (a) 12 drills, of which 10 must be mounted drills.
(b) Qualify in musketry.

TABLE D.—CEYLON LIGHT INFANTRY.

Recruits, first year :—

- (a) 32 drills.
(b) Qualify in recruit's course of musketry.
(c) Commandant's inspection.

Note.—In addition, every recruit must attend a total of 60 drills during the first two years' service.

Trained soldiers of the Defence Force, second and following years :—

- (a) 9 drills.
(b) Qualify in musketry.

Note.—If absent from Commandant's inspection, a soldier of the Defence Force must attend three extra drills, i.e., twelve in all.

Requirements for extra personal grant of Rs. 10 :—

Trained Soldiers.

- (a) Attend annual camp of instruction for five clear days, exclusive of days of arrival and departure.
(b) Qualify in musketry.

Note.—In addition to the foregoing, soldiers must attend the following parades and drills, viz. :—

- (c) King's Birthday parade.
(d) Annual inspection.
(e) Preliminary inspection by the Adjutant.
(f) Ten battalion drills, viz., five before and five after the annual camp.
(g) Six company or Adjutant's drills, viz., three before and three after the annual camp.

Note.—Field officers are exempted from musketry.

Recruits.

All recruits in their first year, in order to qualify for the extra personal grant must attend 45 drills, including those laid down for trained soldiers.

TABLE E.—CEYLON PLANTERS' RIFLE CORPS.

Recruits, first year :—

- (a) 9 sectional drills.
- (b) Qualify in recruit's course of musketry.

Trained soldiers of the Defence Force, second and following years :—

- (a) 9 drills.
- (b) Qualify in musketry.

Note.—A sectional drill will count as one drill. Two sectional drills may be counted in one day, provided that each of them is of not less than one hour's duration. A company or a battalion drill will count as two drills. Attendance at the annual camp will count as three drills per day. In the case of members of the motor section, attendance at three days' motor section training may be substituted for the drill required under (a) above.

TABLE F.—CEYLON MEDICAL CORPS.

Recruits :—

- (a) If in the first year of service—
 - (1) Annual inspection.
 - (2) A minimum of 32 drills during the year.
- (b) If in their second year of service—
 - (1) The annual inspection or 3 additional drills in lieu thereof ;
 - (2) A minimum of 12 drills during the year. Provided that the total number of drills attended in the first and second years is not less than 60 or 63 in the event of the commutation permitted by sub-paragraph (1) being availed of.
- (c) If in the third or succeeding year of service—
 - (1) The annual inspection of three additional drills in lieu thereof ;
 - (2) A minimum of 12 drills during the year.

Members absent from the camp must attend 15 extra drills.

Requirements of extra personal grant of Rs. 10 :—

- (a) Annual camp of instruction for the full period.
- (b) King's Birthday parade.
- (c) Annual inspection.
- (d) Preliminary inspection by the Adjutant.
- (e) Ten battalion drills.
- (f) Six Company or Adjutant's drills.
- (g) Mobilization parades, if ordered.

TABLE G.—CEYLON SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT CORPS.

Area Commanders.

The qualifications for efficiency shall include the following, unless otherwise ordered in orders :—

- Two area drills in the year.
- The inspections of each of his sections once in the year.
- The complement and corrections of returns.
- Revolver course.

Section Commanders.

Two area drills in the year.
 Four section drills or two extra area drills in the year.
 The complement of C. S. & T. Corps quarterly returns.
 Musketry or revolver course as laid down in orders.

Other Ranks.

Two area drills in the year.
 Four section drills or two extra area drills in the year.
 Musketry or revolver course as laid down in orders.

Extra Proficiency Grants.

In order to be reckoned extra efficient, a soldier must qualify or attend the under-mentioned drills, &c., in addition to those laid down in Tables A to G.

TABLE H.—CEYLON GARRISON ARTILLERY.

Qualify as a gun layer ; or
 Qualify as range finder ; or
 Qualify as position finder ; or
 Qualify as depression range finder ; or
 Qualify as a signaller ; or
 Qualify as a machine gunner ; or
 Qualify as a light automatic gunner ; or
 Attend 14 extra drills, King's Birthday Parade, and Mobilization parade ; or
 As an officer or non-commissioned officer have qualified for the next higher rank.

TABLE I.—CEYLON ENGINEERS.

An extra proficiency grant of Rs. 5 is allowed by Government to each soldier, provided he attends the following additional parades :—

Two squad or company drills, six attendances for electric light instruction or running of defence lights (attendances for one relief of a whole night run shall count as two parades), and King's Birthday parade ; or has qualified as engine driver, or electrician, or telephonist, or wireless operator, or as a machine gunner ; or as an officer or non-commissioned officer has qualified for the next higher rank.

A soldier who has obtained leave of absence, owing to illness or other unavoidable cause from the King's Birthday parade annual inspection, or camp (if any) may, at the discretion of the Officer Commanding, qualify as extra proficient by attending extra drills, lectures, or practical instruction.

TABLE K.—CEYLON MOUNTED RIFLES.

Qualify as a first class shot or marksman and attend nine extra drills ; or
 Qualify as a signaller ; or
 Qualify as a machine gunner ; or
 Qualify as a light automatic gunner ; or
 As an officer or non-commissioned officer have qualified for the next higher rank.

TABLE L.—CEYLON LIGHT INFANTRY, CEYLON PLANTERS' RIFLE CORPS.

Qualify as a first class shot or marksman and attend sixteen extra drills (and King's Birthday and Mobilization parades if stationed in Colombo in lieu of six extra parades) ; or
 Qualify as a signaller ; or
 Qualify as a machine gunner ; or
 Qualify as a light automatic gunner ; or
 As an officer or non-commissioned officer have qualified for the next higher rank.

TABLE M.—CEYLON MEDICAL CORPS.

Qualify as first class nursing orderly ; or as dispenser ; or as signaller ; or attend fourteen extra drills and put in the full period in camp, King's Birthday parade, and mobilization parade ; or
 As an officer or non-commissioned officer have qualified for the next higher rank.

TABLE N.—CEYLON SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT CORPS.

Extra Efficiency and Qualification for Promotion.

The qualifications for extra efficiency and promotion may include the following :—

An examination in motor driving and simple repairs, and the conversion of motor vehicles into armoured cars.

An examination on the geography of Ceylon, including railways, roads, and telegraphs and telephones, and the chief supply centres.

Note.—Drills shall be a very elementary character, and with the sole object of maintaining discipline.

Appendix F.—Regulations for Decorations and Medals.

REGULATIONS AS TO ISSUE, SURRENDER, AND RESTORATION OF "THE COLONIAL AUXILIARY FORCES OFFICERS' DECORATION" UNDER ROYAL WARRANTS OF JUNE 9, 1921, AND JUNE 22, 1927.

Persons Eligible.

1. (a) Duly qualified Commissioned Officers.
- (b) Honorary Colonels and Chaplains who have the qualifying service of twenty years.
- (c) Officers who have retired and have the qualifying service.

Qualifying Service.

2. (a) Service requisite to qualify for the Decoration shall be twenty years' commissioned service; that half the time served in the ranks of the aforesaid Auxiliary Military Forces (including India) or in the ranks of the Territorial Force of Great Britain or Volunteer Force which existed before April 1, 1908, shall be reckoned as qualifying service; and that service on the West Coast of Africa shall reckon two-fold as qualifying service.

(b) Service rendered wholly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominion, Colony or Protectorate; or partly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominion, Colony or Protectorate, partly in the Territorial Force of Great Britain, or partly, in any Naval or Military Volunteer Forces of any part of the Empire (except service since August 4, 1914, in the Volunteer Forces of Great Britain raised under the Volunteer Acts, 1863-1916), shall be reckoned as qualifying service for the Decoration.

(c) Officers who were serving in the Ceylon Defense Force or other Auxiliary Forces at the outbreak of the war 1914-1918 did, before November 11, 1918, actually serve beyond the boundaries of the Dominion, Colony, Dependency, or Protectorate shall reckon all embodied service as an officer on the Active List two-fold as qualifying service towards the requisite twenty years embodied service in the ranks on the Active List as full qualifying service towards the requisite twenty years, whether such service was in the Naval, Military, or Air Forces.

(d) Service on the Permanent Staff shall not reckon as qualifying service for the Decoration.

(e) Service qualifying for the Decoration shall also count towards the qualifying service necessary for "The Territorial Officers' Decoration," and *vice versa*.

(f) A recipient of the Decoration shall be permitted to wear with it any "Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal" which may have been awarded to him, provided that he has completed the full qualifying service required for both the Medal and the Decoration.

Application.

3. Application for the Decoration will be made in writing by the Commanding Officer of each Corps, and will in each case be supported by a statement of the applicant's service on Form A. Commanding Officers will forward their recommendation through the usual channels of correspondence to the Governor, together with the certificate marked B or the certificate marked C.

4. The Decoration being granted as a reward for good and long service, Commanding Officers should in each case state in general terms the reason which, in their opinion, gives the applicant a claim to receive the Decoration.

Publication.

5. The grant of the Decoration will be published in the *Government Gazette*.

6. The letters V. D. will be inserted in the Army List against the name of the officer to whom the Decoration is given.

Forfeiture.

7. When the conduct of an officer after he has been awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration has been such as to disqualify him for wearing it, he may be deprived of it by the Governor.

Restoration.

8. A Decoration forfeited by an officer under the provisions of paragraph 7 may be restored to him by the Governor.

Loss.

9. When a Decoration has been lost, and it is desired to replace it, a declaration must be made before a Magistrate stating the circumstances under which the loss occurred, and the rank, name, and Corps of the officer to whom the Decoration belonged. This declaration will be forwarded to the Governor through the usual channel of correspondence in the case of an officer who is still serving, and direct in the case of one who has retired. The Decoration will be replaced, on payment, if the explanation as to the loss is considered satisfactory.

Method of Wearing Decoration.

10. The Decoration shall be suspended from the left breast by a green riband of one inch and a quarter in width from a silver brooch and shall be worn after all British War Medals.

The Miniature Decoration shall be one-half the size of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Form A.

Statement of the commissioned services of _____ of the _____ Regiment.

N.B.—Service in the ranks should be shown in full, but only its equivalent (under the regulations) should be carried forward as commissioned service into the last column.

Branch of Service.	Rank.	Rank and Dates of each Commission.		Total Service in each Rank.	Remarks.
		From	To		
				Y. M. D.	
Total Commissioned Service ..					

We certify that the above is a correct statement of the commissioned service of _____ of _____ Regiment, and that his total commissioned service amounts to _____ years _____ months _____ days.

Signed : _____, Adjutant.

Countersigned : _____, Commanding Officer.

Headquarters.
Date : _____.

Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Certificate B.—For Officers still Serving.

We hereby certify that _____ holds a commission in the _____ Force that he has completed the qualifying period of twenty years' service, that he is an efficient and thoroughly capable officer, and that he is in every way deserving of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Signed : _____,
Adjutant.

Countersigned : _____,
Commanding Officer.

Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Certificate C.—For Retired Officers.

We hereby certify that _____ has completed the qualifying period of twenty years' service, that he was granted the usual privilege of honorary rank on retirement in the _____ Gazette dated _____, and that he is to the best of our belief in every way deserving of the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration.

Signed : _____,
Adjutant.

Countersigned : _____,
Commanding Officer.

Note.—Certificate C will be signed by the Commanding Officer and Adjutant of the Regiment or Corps in which officer was last serving.

**REGULATIONS AS TO THE GRANT, FORFEITURE, AND RESTORATION OF
"THE COLONIAL AUXILIARY FORCES LONG SERVICE MEDAL"
ISSUED UNDER ROYAL WARRANT OF JANUARY 25, 1923.**

Persons eligible.

1. (a) Duly qualified members of the Ceylon Defence Force.
- (b) Duly qualified members of the Ceylon Defence Force who have retired.
- (c) Duly qualified reservists of the Ceylon Defence Force.

Qualifying Service.

2. (a) Service requisite to qualify for the Medal shall be 20 years in all authorized Auxiliary Military Forces (i.e., other than Permanent Forces) of Dominions, Colonies, and Dependencies (except India) and of countries under British Protection (hereinafter referred to as Protectorates), whether designated as Militia or Volunteers or otherwise, and that service on the West Coast of Africa shall reckon two-fold as qualifying service. The Medal may also be granted to members who have retired after completing 20 years' service, and officers who have served in the ranks but have not qualified for the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration. Reservists who carry out the full training required from an Active member and earns the full capitation grant will be permitted to count each year during which he carries out such training and earns such grant as qualifying service for the Medal.

(b) Service rendered wholly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominions, Colonies, or Protectorates, or partly in the Auxiliary Forces of one or more Dominions, Colonies, or Protectorates, partly in the Territorial Army of Great Britain, or partly in any Naval or Military Volunteer Forces of any part of the British Empire (except service since August 4, 1914, in the Volunteer Force of Great Britain raised under the Volunteer Acts, 1863-1916), shall be reckoned as qualifying service for the Medal.

(c) Members who were serving in the Ceylon Defence Force on August 4, 1914, and did before November 11, 1918, actually serve or sign an agreement to serve beyond the boundaries of the Dominion, Colony, Dependency, or Protectorate, shall reckon all such embodied service on the active list two-fold as qualifying service towards the requisite 20 years, whether such service was in the Naval Forces, Military Forces, or Air Forces. Nothing in these regulations shall permit service to count more than two-fold towards the award of the Medal.

(d) Service on the Permanent Staff shall not reckon a qualifying service for the Medal.

(e) Service qualifying for the Medal shall also count towards the qualifying service necessary for "The Territorial Efficiency Medal" and *vice versa*.

(f) An officer who has served in the ranks of the Territorial Army of Great Britain, or of the Auxiliary Forces of a Dominion, Colony, or Protectorate, but who is not qualified for the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration, shall, on completing 20 years' service in all, be eligible to receive the Medal, but, should the aforesaid decoration subsequently be conferred upon him, he shall not be called upon to surrender the Medal, but shall not be permitted to wear it until such time as he has completed the full periods for both Decoration and Medal.

Application.

3. Application for the Medal will be made on Form D through the usual channel of correspondence to the Governor whose decision upon the validity or otherwise of any claim to the Medal will be final. Retired members will apply through the Officer Commanding the Regiment (or Corps) in which they last served. Commanding Officers will forward with Form D their recommendation and a nominal roll arranged alphabetically on Form E. This roll will be forwarded with his recommendation to the Governor by the Commandant, Ceylon Defence Force.

Publication.

4. The grant of the Medal will be published in the *Government Gazette*.

Forfeiture.

5. When the conduct of any member after he has been awarded the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal has been such as to disqualify him from wearing it, he may be deprived of it by the Governor.

Restoration.

6. A Medal forfeited by any member under the provisions of paragraph 5 may be restored to him by the Governor.

Loss.

7. When a Medal has been lost, and it is desired to replace it, a declaration must be made before a Magistrate stating the circumstances under which the loss occurred, and the rank, name, and Corps of the individual, to whom the Medal belonged. This declaration will be forwarded to the Governor through the usual channel of correspondence in the case of an individual still serving, and direct to the Governor in the case of one who has retired. The Medal will be replaced at the expense of the recipient if the explanation as to its loss is considered satisfactory.

Individual Application for the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal.

Form D.

Statement of service of _____ the _____.

Headquarters : _____.

Date : _____.

Corps Number.	Rank.	Service.		Total.			Remarks.
		From	To.	Years.	Months.	Days.	

Grand Total . . _____

We hereby certify that to the best of our belief the above is a correct statement of the service of _____, and that we consider the applicant to have rendered meritorious service, which renders him eligible for the Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal.

_____, Adjutant.

_____, Officer Commanding Corps.

*Nominal Roll of Officers, Warrant Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers,
and Privates recommended for the Colonial Auxiliary Forces
Long Service Medal.*

Form E.

Corps Number.	Rank.	Names.		Total Service.
		Christian.	Surname.	

Approved and recommended.

Date : _____.

_____, Officer Commanding.
_____, Headquarters.

**Appendix G.—Form of Agreement in respect of the Grant in Aid to Officers on
First Appointment (Regulation 16 A).**

CEYLON CADET BATTALION.

Officer's Contract on obtaining Commissions.

I, _____, do hereby undertake to refund the Government of Ceylon, provided I fail to serve for three continuous years from the date of my commission as an officer in the Ceylon Cadet Battalion :—

- (a) The whole of my kit allowance, namely, Rs. 150, if I fail to complete one year's commissioned service.
- (b) The half of my kit allowance, namely, Rs. 75, if I fail to complete two year's commissioned service.
- (c) The quarter of my kit allowance, namely, Rs. 37·50 if I fail to complete three years' commissioned service.

2. I undertake that no refund will be necessary if I complete three years' commissioned service as an officer in the Ceylon Cadet Battalion.

3. I undertake to provide myself with all articles of clothing, arms, and equipment, as laid down for officers of the Ceylon Cadet Battalion by the Officer Commanding, Ceylon Cadet Battalion.

Place : _____.

Date : _____.

Witnesses :—

1. _____.

2. _____.

Signature : _____,

Hony. Lieut. C. C. B.

Appendix H.—Insurance.

SCHEME FOR DEFENCE FORCE HORSE INSURANCE.

1. All matters in connection with the scheme for the insurance of horses shall be under the management of a Committee of the Commanding Officer of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles, the Staff Officer of the Ceylon Defence Force, the Adjutant of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles, the Hon. the Controller of Revenue, and the Treasurer of the Colony for the time being, three to form a quorum, and the senior member present to act as chairman.

2. It shall be compulsory for every member of the Ceylon Defence Force who has to use a horse or horses in the execution of his duty to insure such horse or horses under this scheme. Provided that not more than two horses shall be insured by the same member in any period of twelve months, *i.e.*, if a member insured a horse on April 28, 1912, he can only insure one more horse between April 28, 1912, and April 28, 1913, provided that this shall not apply in the case of replacing casualties under the scheme.

3. The Committee shall from time to time appoint Boards consisting of not less than two officers or other persons to value horses for the purposes of insurance, and no horse shall be insured without a valuation certificate from such Board. The

horse or horses shall be registered and insured within one month of being passed by such Board, otherwise the valuation of the Board and proposal of the soldier of the Defence Force to insure his horse shall become null and void.

4. Every horse proposed for insurance shall be insured for the value placed upon it by the Board of Valuers. Provided that in no case shall any horse be insured for a sum exceeding Rs. 750.

5. Horses shall only be accepted for insurance between the ages of 4 and 15 years.

6. Every horse on being insured shall be entered with all particulars and a full description of the animal in a register to be kept by the Adjutant of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles.

7. The insurance on any horse shall cease to be in force so soon as the horse ceases to be the property of the insurer ; provided, however, that if a horse is sold or transferred to another soldier of the Defence Force, the insurance may also be transferred on payment by the transferee to the Treasurer of the Colony of a fee of Rs. 5.

8. The insurance shall only indemnify the insurer against the death or permanent disablement of the horse.

9. Payment of the amount for which the horse is insured will only be made in the case of death (a) on a certificate of an officer of the Defence Force who has seen the dead horse, or (b) on an affidavit by the owner ; and in the case of permanent disablement, of a certificate from (a) a duly qualified Veterinary Surgeon, (b) an officer of the Board of Valuers, or (c) a member of the Committee.

10. No claim will be paid unless the owner can prove (a) that death or permanent disablement was not caused by any fault or neglect of himself or his servants ; (b) that everything possible was done to save the horse.

11. No claim will be paid where the cause of the death or permanent disablement of the horse is in any way attributable to the animal being used for racing or steeplechasing (exclusive of gymkhanas confined to members of the regular army in Ceylon or to members of the Ceylon Defence Force) or for polo. Claims arising from the use of the animal for hunting, hacking, and driving will be admitted.

12. The premium payable annually by the insurer shall be calculated at the rate of 3 per cent. on the amount for which the horse is insured ; provided that should a member of the force insure two horses, the premium payable on the second horse shall be calculated at the rate of 5 per cent. on the amount for which it is insured.

13. All premia shall be deemed to be due and payable in advance, and no horse shall be considered to be insured in respect of which the premium has not been paid at due date.

14. The Adjutant of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles shall collect all premia, fees, or other sums due from members of the Defence Force, and shall pay the same to the Treasurer of the Colony. The Adjutant is empowered to accept payment of premia for a period of fourteen days after the date on which they become due, provided that in no case shall any claim be considered or paid should death or disablement take place between the date on which the premium became due and the actual date on which the premium was received at the Office of the Ceylon Mounted Rifles. The Treasurer shall carry all such sums paid to him to the credit of the General Revenue Accounts of the Colony.

15. The Treasurer shall pay out of the General Revenue of the Colony any claim on account of the death or permanent disablement of any horse insured upon the production to him of an order by the Committee.

16. The whole scheme of insurance of the horses of the Defence Force should be subject to a proviso that should the percentage of insured horses belonging to members of the Defence Force who are required to use horses at any time fall below 75 per cent. of the number of members actually in the Colony at such time, the Government reserves to itself the right to terminate the scheme forthwith, refunding to those members whose horses have been already insured a portion of the premia proportionate to the unexpired period of insurance in full settlement of all claims.