

140. Upon all occasions of entering a garrison or camp the Officer in Command of Volunteers will duly report his arrival to the Officer in Command of such garrison or camp, and at the same time furnish him with a field state of the corps.

141. The Officer Commanding the District may permit any troop, battery, or company to change the day of ordinary drill temporarily, during such time of the year as the majority of the members are busily employed in their ordinary occupations.

142. The hours and places of meeting for ordinary drills will be fixed and published, and any deviation therefrom will be duly notified. Companies, whether armed with the long or short rifle, to adopt the drill for the short rifle.

143. Every troop or company shall have one or more notice-boards, which will be exhibited in conspicuous places, and shall notify the times and places of parade, and shall publish such orders and instructions as may from time to time be issued; and all Volunteers will be expected to make themselves acquainted therewith. The plea of ignorance will not be admitted as an excuse for the neglect of or absence from any duty; and the exhibition of any instructions on the said board or boards shall be deemed a sufficient notice or order to all those concerned if exhibited a reasonable time before the duty to which the notice refers is to be performed.

144. Fines inflicted on any member may be deducted from any amount due to him, or recovered by summary procedure.

145. The following rules will be observed for the falling-in of regimental or battalion parades, and observed, as near as possible, for other parades:—

Dress Bugle.—To sound half an hour before the time fixed for general assembly.

Non-commissioned Officers' Call.—To sound a quarter of an hour after the dress bugle, when non-commissioned officers and musicians fall in, two deep, for inspection by the Adjutant or staff officer.

The Assembly.—To sound punctually at the hour appointed; on which the several troops or companies form on their own markers.

146. The strictest punctuality must be observed by all ranks in attending parades and other duties; and no man is to fall in after his troop, battery, or company has been formed, except by special permission of the senior officer present on the parade.

147. Volunteers, whether officers, non-commissioned officers, or of other ranks, who do not appear on parade within ten minutes of the time appointed, will be considered absent.

148. The senior officer present at any parade will exercise his discretion as to the continuance or otherwise of the parade on account of the inclemency of the weather. And if it be dismissed on that account, pay will be allowed as if the parade had been continued.

149. When a Commanding Officer deems it necessary to dismiss a parade on account of the inclemency of the weather, he must forward to the Officer Commanding the Force, within twenty-four hours of such parade, a certificate stating that the weather was such that the parade could not be proceeded with.

150. Any Volunteer who shows himself ignorant of his drill may be ordered by his superior officer to attend recruit drills until he becomes proficient.

151. The system of drill and mode of performing military duties will be the same with the Volunteer Forces as are customary in Her Majesty's service; and Volunteers of all ranks must conform strictly thereto.

152. None but enrolled members, properly dressed in uniform, will be permitted to accompany a Volunteer Corps at any field-day or review, either during the marching-past or the performance of the manœuvres.

153. When the Volunteers, at the termination of a field-day, are to return by railway to their head-quarters, the arms will be examined, and all the ammunition which has not been expended must be collected from the pouches of the Volunteers and placed in a case, with a view to its being conveyed in safety to the head-quarters of the regiment to which it belongs. Commanding Officers will be held responsible that this regulation is strictly carried out.

DISCIPLINE.

154. The Volunteer Act lays down the course to be observed as to the discipline of Volunteers while not on actual military service.

155. If any member of the Volunteer Force shall, while under arms, on duty or parade, or while engaged in military exercise or drill, or while wearing his uniform and going or returning from any place of exercise or assembly, disobey the lawful command of his