

superior officer, or be guilty of misconduct, he may, if an officer, be placed under arrest by his superior officer; and, if not an officer, he may be ordered into custody, and detained there for any period not exceeding one day.

156. His Excellency the Governor, or the Officer Commanding the Volunteer Force, may at any time order a Court of Inquiry to assemble, the proceedings of which shall be conducted, as far as practicable, according to the regulations in force in Her Majesty's service.

157. The duties of a Court of Inquiry will depend upon the instructions given to the Court by the convening officer, and may consist in merely collecting and arranging evidence, or may embrace the giving an opinion on the subject investigated.

158. Volunteers of all ranks in uniform are to salute His Excellency the Governor; and Volunteers, not being commissioned officers, and when in uniform, are to salute all officers in Her Majesty's naval and military services when in uniform, and all officers of the Volunteer Forces, whom they know to be such, when in uniform or not.

159. Meetings will not be held in companies for the purpose of expressing an opinion upon the acts of a Commanding Officer, or of recommending him to take a particular course of action, or of discussing any matter affecting discipline, nor will memorials be drawn up to the same effect; and no meetings except those called together by or under the authority of the Commanding Officer of a regiment, and on his responsibility, will be recognized.

160. Any officer or Volunteer proved to have written to a newspaper on matters connected with his corps, or to have called in question the act of any superior officer, shall if an officer be liable to be deprived of his commission, and if a Volunteer be liable to be fined £2 and to be summarily dismissed the Force.

161. A general annual meeting of each Volunteer company will be held for the special purpose of receiving an account of the expenditure of moneys received from public funds, and discussion on such expenditure will only be permitted at such meeting. The Finance Committee is responsible for the expenditure and proper administration of the funds.

162. With the view, however, of giving full information on the subject to all concerned, a copy of the annual abstract of expenditure will be posted each year in the orderly-room, where it will be open to the inspection of every member of the company. A copy will also be forwarded to the Officer Commanding the regiment, and by him sent to the Commandant.

163. If any Volunteer has cause to think himself aggrieved, he will represent his case to his Captain; any appeal against the decision of the Captain will be made through him to the Commanding Officer of his regiment, and any further appeal will be made through both these officers to the Commandant, whose decision shall be final.

164. Members of corps will not individually or collectively attend political meetings, or join in public political discussion or demonstrations, in uniform.

165. Commissioned officers and Sergeants only are permitted to wear side-arms when off duty, and then only the authorized weapons of their respective ranks.

166. Officers and non-commissioned officers of the Staff will be held responsible that they do not allow themselves to be complimented, either directly or indirectly, by means of presents or collective expressions of opinion from persons who are serving or who have served in the corps to which they are or have been attached.

167. When a Volunteer has been dismissed, a notification of the fact, with the cause of dismissal, will be inserted in Regimental Orders.

168. When Volunteers belonging to one or more companies are brought together under arms at rifle shooting matches, or on other occasions, the senior officer present will be considered as in command of all the Volunteers upon the ground; and, although his position in this respect does not involve any authority for his interference in the arrangements of the meeting, yet he is held responsible for the due maintenance of order and discipline amongst the Volunteers under arms.

169. When companies of any arm wish to obtain instruction in camp duties, the consent of the Government (applied for by the several Commanding Officers through the Officer Commanding the district) must be first obtained. A statement, giving the place, date of formation, duration, and probable number of Volunteers, must accompany the application. If the camp is to be formed in a different district to that to which the corps belongs, the previous consent of the Officer Commanding such district must first have been obtained.