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A BILL

INTITULED

An Ordinance to amend the Divorce Ordinance, 1932.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Divorce Amendment Ordinance, 1933.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 35 of 1932, s. 4.

2. Sub-section (3) of section 4 of the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, is repealed and the following sub-section is substituted:—

(3) Nothing herein shall authorise the court to make any decree of judicial separation or of restitution of conjugal rights except where the marriage was a Christian marriage or its civil equivalent and where both the parties to the marriage had their usual place of residence in the Colony at the time of the commencement of proceedings.

Amendment of Ordinance No. 35 of 1932, s. 17.

3. Sub-section (3) of section 17 of the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, is repealed and the following sub-section is substituted:—

(3) A decree of judicial separation shall have the effect which a divorce *a mensa et thoro* had in England before the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1857, and such other legal effect as hereinafter mentioned.

20 and 21 Vict. c. 85.

Repeal of Ordinance No. 35 of 1932, s. 38 (2).

4. Sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, is repealed.

Repeal of certain forms in Schedule to Ordinance No. 35 of 1932.

5. Forms Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 16, 18, 25, and 29 in the Schedule to the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, are repealed.

Construction and commencement.

6. This Ordinance shall be read and construed as one with, and shall come into operation at the same time as, the Divorce Ordinance, 1932, which it amends and which shall not be brought into operation by Proclamation until His Majesty's pleasure not to disallow this Ordinance is known.

Objects and Reasons.

1. Sections 2 and 4 of this Ordinance carry out the instructions of the Secretary of State, conveyed in his despatch No. 115 of the 7th February, 1933, intimating that His Majesty will not be advised to exercise his power of disallowance in respect of the Divorce Ordinance, 1932.

2. Section 2 substitutes a new sub-section for section 4 (3) of the principal Ordinance in which the words "where both the parties to the marriage were in the Colony at the time of the commencement of proceedings" are replaced by the words "where both the parties to the marriage had their usual place of residence in the Colony at the time of the commencement of proceedings".

3. The Secretary of State points out that to require merely the presence of both parties to the marriage in the Colony at the commencement of the proceedings is open to some objection on the ground that it might lead to abuse of the jurisdiction by a mere temporary presence. Although such abuse could be prevented by the court under its existing powers, nevertheless it seems undesirable that the Ordinance should contain a jurisdiction wider than admittedly it would be proper for the court to exercise. Moreover the provision in the principal Ordinance as passed would not seem to cover a case where both parties were ordinarily resident in the Colony and one of them had deserted the other and left the Colony.

4. The amendment makes it clear that the parties to the marriage must have their usual place of residence in the Colony at the time of the commencement of proceedings for judicial separation or for the restitution of conjugal rights.

5. Section 4 also carries out the suggestion in the same despatch that sub-section (2) of section 38 of the principal Ordinance should be omitted. That sub-section provided that the court may dispense with service out of jurisdiction of any petition under the Ordinance, or allow service by notice published in the Gazette, if it seems necessary or expedient to do so.

6. The Secretary of State points out that there is ample power for substituted service and that it is inconceivable that in matters appertaining to divorce the court would ever think it right to dispense with service altogether. The sub-section is therefore repealed.

7. Section 3 substitutes a redrafted sub-section for section 17 (3) of the principal Ordinance. The latter was copied from section 17 (3) of the Straits Settlements Ordinance No. 123 and provided that a decree of judicial separation shall have the effect of a divorce *a mensa et thoro* under the existing law and such other legal effect as thereafter mentioned. There being no existing law in the Colony providing for divorce *a mensa et thoro* it has been considered necessary to redraft the sub-section to give it the effect obviously intended.

8. Section 5 repeals the forms of citation contained in the Schedule to the principal Ordinance the use of which was authorised by section 36. Power is given by section 48 (2)

of that Ordinance to vary the forms and to add new forms by rules made by the Chief Justice. In framing the rules it has been considered that forms of citation, which are no longer used in England (see Halsbury's Supplement Vol. 16 paragraph 1034) will not be required in the Colony.

9. Section 6 provides that the Amending Ordinance shall be read and construed as one with, and come into operation at the same time as the principal Ordinance, which under section 49 of the latter Ordinance will be on such day as the Governor shall notify by Proclamation. In consequence of Article 26 of the Royal Instructions the section also provides that this Proclamation is not to be issued until His Majesty's pleasure not to disallow the amending Ordinance is known.

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April, 1933.

A BILL

INTITULED

An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hong Kong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933. Short title.

2. In this Ordinance,

Interpreta-
tion.

(a) "Appointments" includes accoutrements and equipment of every kind, other than clothing.

(b) "Commandant" means the person for the time being entrusted with the general administration of the corps, and in the event of there being no such person, means the officer who is highest in rank in the corps.

(c) "Corps" means the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

(d) "General Officer Commanding the Troops" means the Senior Military Officer for the time being in command of His Majesty's regular troops within the Colony.

(e) "Officer of the corps" means a person holding a commission as an officer thereof.

(f) "Volunteer" means a member of the corps not being an officer thereof.

PART I.

ORGANIZATION.

3.—(1) The Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps as existing at the commencement of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be lawfully formed and duly constituted; and it shall be lawful for the Governor, in his discretion, to accept the services of any person desiring to be enrolled as a member thereof. Establishment and enrolment.

(2) The corps may include any number of units or auxiliary units, the members of which shall consist of officers and volunteers.

4. The officers of the corps shall be British subjects and shall be commissioned by the Governor; and no such commission shall be deemed vacated by death or retirement from office of the Governor by whom the same was issued. Commissioned officers.

5.—(1) Subject as hereinafter mentioned, any volunteer may, except on actual military service, quit the corps on complying with the following conditions:— Right of volunteer to quit corps on certain conditions.

(a) giving to the Commandant fourteen days notice in writing of his intention to quit the corps;

(b) delivering up in good order (fair wear and tear only excepted) all arms, clothing, and appointments, being public property or property of the corps, issued to him; and

(c) paying all money due or becoming due by him under this Ordinance or under any regulations made thereunder or under the rules of the corps, either before or at the time or by reason of his quitting it;

and thereupon he shall be struck out of the muster roll of the corps by the Commandant.

(2) If any volunteer gives such notice and the Commandant refuses to strike him out of the muster roll, and the volunteer considers himself aggrieved thereby, the volunteer may appeal to a 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 the magistrate that the arms, clothing, and appointments issued to the volunteer, being public property or property of his corps, have been delivered up in good order (fair wear and tear only excepted), or 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 any regulations made thereunder or under the rules of the corps, either before or at the time of or by reason of his quitting it, have been paid, the magistrate may order the commandant forthwith to strike such volunteer out of the muster roll of the corps, and such determination shall be binding on all persons.

(3) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, every volunteer, other than a member of an auxiliary unit, shall be deemed to have engaged himself to serve for a period of at least three years from the date of his first admission to the corps, and if he quits, or is discharged from, the corps before the expiration of the first year of the said period he shall pay to the Commandant the sum of sixty dollars, if after the expiration of the first year and before the expiration of the second year the sum of forty dollars, and if after the expiration of the second year and before the expiration of the third year the sum of twenty dollars: Provided that no such sum shall be payable by a volunteer who, in the opinion of the Commandant, *bonâ fide* intends to leave the Colony forthwith for a period of at least one year, or who quits his corps for any other cause which the Commandant may consider reasonable and *bonâ fide*: Provided also that nothing in this sub-section shall relieve any volunteer from the obligation to comply with the provisions of sub-section (1) if he wishes to quit the corps.

Volunteers
to be under
command of
officers of
regular
forces.

6. Whenever any volunteers are on actual military service, or are undergoing drill, exercise or inspection together with His Majesty's regular forces, or are voluntarily doing duty together with such forces, they and their officers shall, subject to any regulations made under this Ordinance, be under the command of the officers of His Majesty's regular forces, so, nevertheless, that the volunteers shall, when the circumstances of the service admit, be led by their own officers under such command.

Annual
inspection.

7. An annual inspection of the corps shall be held by a general or field officer of His Majesty's army.

Disbanding
of corps.

8. The Governor may disband or discontinue the services of the corps or any part thereof whenever it may seem to him expedient to do so.

9. The General Officer Commanding the Troops with the approval of the Governor, may at any time assemble a court of inquiry comprised of officers of the corps to inquire into any matter relative to the corps or to any officer of the corps or volunteer, 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 Officer Commanding the Troops.

Courts of inquiry.

10.—(1) The General Officer Commanding the Troops may, with the approval of the Governor after consultation with the Commandant, make regulations respecting the constitution, general government, discipline and training of the corps, and in particular respecting—

Regulations.

- (a) conditions of efficiency;
- (b) appointment, promotion and rank of officers; and
- (c) assembling and proceedings of courts of inquiry.

(2) The regulations contained in the First Schedule shall be deemed to have been made under this Ordinance and shall continue in force except in so far as they may be rescinded or amended or added to by regulations made under this Ordinance, or by any other Ordinance.

First Schedule.

PART II.

ACTUAL MILITARY SERVICE.

11.—(1) In case of great national or local emergency, or in case of actual or apprehended invasion of or attack on the Colony, or in case of serious local disturbance, or in case it may be desirable to take precautions against the possibility of serious local disturbance, the Governor may, by proclamation, call out the corps or any portion thereof for actual military service.

Calling out for actual military service in case of national emergency, invasion, or serious local disturbance.

(2) Every officer of the corps and volunteer 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 General Officer Commanding the Troops.

(3) Every such officer and volunteer so called out shall, for the purposes of this Ordinance, be deemed to be on actual military service. If any such officer or volunteer, not being 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 may consider necessary, and shall end only by order of the Governor.

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

(6) In any proceedings whatsoever the production of a copy of a number of the Gazette, purporting to be printed by the Government printers, and containing what purports to be a proclamation by the Governor under sub-section (1), shall for all purposes whatsoever be conclusive proof that the said

proclamation was issued and was lawfully issued, and that the corps, or the portion thereof, referred to in the said proclamation, was duly called out for actual military service on the date which purports to be the date of the said number of the Gazette.

Pay and allowances on actual military service and in camp.

12. All officers of the corps and volunteers, when called out on actual military service, and when undergoing training in camp or attending courses of training or instruction, shall be entitled to such pay and allowances, if any, as may be prescribed by the Governor in Council.

Relief to families of persons called out on actual military service.

13. All officers of the corps and volunteers who, when called out on such actual military service as aforesaid, leave families unable to support themselves shall, during the period of their absence on such service, be entitled to relief for their wives and families, and it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to fix the amount of such relief.

Provision for officers and volunteers disabled on service and for widows and families of those killed on service.

14. All officers of the corps and volunteers who may have received wounds or injuries when called out on actual military service as aforesaid, and the widows and families of all such officers and volunteers who may have been killed or have died within twelve months after having been wounded of wounds received during such actual military service, or have died within twelve months from illness directly traceable to fatigue or exposure incident to such service, shall be entitled to such pensions or gratuities as may be fixed by the Governor in Council: Provided that no pension under this section shall exceed the sum of one thousand dollars per annum.

PART III.

DISCIPLINE.

Discipline while not on actual military service.

15.—(1) With respect to the discipline of officers of the corps and volunteers while they are not on actual military 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 Commandant may, subject to such appeal to the Governor as is hereinafter mentioned, discharge from the corps any volunteer and strike him out of the muster roll either for disobedience of orders by him while doing any duty with the 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 causes respectively to be judged of by the Commandant or, in case of appeal, by the Governor.

(ii) The volunteer 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 the corps, issued to him, and to pay all moneys due or becoming due by him under this Ordinance or under any regulations made thereunder or under the rules of the corps, either before or at the time or by reason of his discharge.

(iii) Any volunteer who feels aggrieved by such discharge may appeal to the Governor within a reasonable time after such discharge and the Governor may cancel or confirm such discharge or give such other directions with reference thereto as to him may seem just and proper, and such determination shall be binding on all persons.

(iv) If any officer of the corps or volunteer as aforesaid—

(a) while he is on the line of march or on duty with the corps or any part thereof; or

(b) while he is engaged in any exercise or drill with the corps or any part thereof; or

(c) while he is wearing the clothing or accoutrements of the corps and is going to or returning from any place of exercise, drill, or assembly of the 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 parade or any superior officer under whose command the parade then is, may order the offender, if an officer, into arrest, and, if not an officer, into the custody of any volunteer 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 volunteer, while going to or returning from any place of exercise, drill, or assembly of his corps, shall be deemed to be on duty so long as he continues to wear the clothing or accoutrements of the corps. Every such arrest shall be forthwith reported to the Commandant or such other officer as may be prescribed.

(v) Release from arrest or custody under the proviso to paragraph (iv) shall be without prejudice to any subsequent proceedings for discharge under the provisions of this subsection.

(2) Without prejudice to anything contained in subsection (1), every officer of the corps and volunteer who reports in person to undergo training in camp, other than training together with some part of His Majesty's regular forces, shall until he is permitted to leave the camp, be subject, within the Colony, to the same control, discipline and punishments as are provided in the Army Act in the case of members of His Majesty's regular forces, with the following modifications only:—

(a) that no officer of the corps or volunteer shall for any offence except for the offence of murder be subject to the penalty of death; and

(b) that no sentence of a court martial for the trial of an officer of the corps or volunteer shall be carried into execution unless confirmed by the Governor.

(3) Disciplinary measures may be imposed, court martial proceedings may be commenced and carried on, and punishments may be imposed, in respect of acts or omissions of any officer of the corps or volunteer while undergoing training in camp, even though the officer of the corps or volunteer in question may have been permitted to leave the camp, and even though the camp may have been broken up, and even though

the officer of the corps or volunteer in question may have been released from arrest or custody under the proviso to paragraph (iv) of sub-section (1).

Failure by members to fulfil obligations as to efficiency, etc.

16.—(1) Without prejudice to the provisions of section 15, but subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2), (5) and (4) of this section, every member of the corps who in the opinion of the Commandant fails without reasonable excuse to complete the requirements of efficiency in any year shall forfeit the **sum of twenty-five** dollars, which shall be paid into the general revenue of the Colony.

(2) No member of the corps shall be liable to forfeit the said sum of twenty-five dollars in respect of the year during which he attains the age of forty years or in respect of any subsequent year.

(3) No member of the corps who has completed the requirements of efficiency in the corps in three years, whether consecutive years or not, shall be liable to forfeit the said sum of twenty-five dollars.

(4) If any member of the corps other than such persons as are referred to in sub-sections (2) and (3), quits the corps without completing the requirements of efficiency in any year he shall remain liable to forfeit the said sum of twenty-five dollars as if he were still a member of the corps provided that the Commandant may exempt from the said liability any person who would otherwise have remained liable under this sub-section if he is of opinion (a) that such person quitted the corps for a reasonable and *bonâ fide* cause and (b) that such person used reasonable diligence in subjecting himself to the prescribed annual training up to the time of his quitting the corps.

(5) If any member of the corps fails to fulfil any of his obligations under this Ordinance such failure shall be deemed to be a sufficient cause for discharge within the meaning of paragraph (i) of section 15 (1), provided that no member of the volunteer corps shall be discharged for this cause if the Commandant, or the Governor upon an appeal, is of opinion that such member had a reasonable excuse for such failure.

(6) For the purposes of this section the year shall be deemed to commence on the 16th day of April.

Discipline when on actual military service.

44 & 45 Vict, c. 58.

17.—(1) With respect to the discipline of officers of the corps and volunteers when they are on actual military service or are undergoing drill, exercise, training or inspection together with or are voluntarily doing any duty together with His Majesty's regular forces or any part thereof, the following provisions shall take effect: namely, the provisions of the Army Act shall, so far as the same are applicable and consistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, apply to all officers of the corps and volunteers, with the following modifications only:—

(a) that no officer of the corps or volunteer shall for any offence against such Act except for the offence of murder be subject to the penalty of death; and

(b) that no sentence of a court martial for the trial of an officer of the corps or volunteer shall be carried into execution unless confirmed by the Governor.

(2) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit or derogate from the power given by section 177 of the said Act to the officer commanding His Majesty's forces with which the corps is serving of making general orders specifying such exceptions or modifications as in the same section are referred to.

Provided nevertheless that such modifications shall not apply to officers of the corps and volunteers who being on active service as defined by section 189 of the Army Act are outside the limits of the Colony. 44 & 45 Vicit
c. 58.

(3) Disciplinary measures may be imposed, court martial proceedings may be commenced and carried on, and punishments may be imposed, in respect of acts and omissions of any officer of the corps or volunteer while on actual military service, or while undergoing any such drill, exercise, training or inspection, or doing any such voluntary duty, as is referred to in sub-section (1), even though such actual military service, drill, exercise, training, inspection, or duty, shall have come to an end, and though such officer of the corps or volunteer shall have been released from any arrest or custody to which he may have been subjected.

18.—(1) It shall be lawful for the Commandant to order any officer of the corps or volunteer to attend at any time at Volunteer Headquarters or at any other place within the Colony for the purposes of any court martial or court of inquiry, or for any other special purpose which may seem proper to the Commandant. Attendance
when
ordered.

(2) Every such officer or volunteer who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with any such order shall upon summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

PART IV.

RULES AND PROPERTY OF CORPS.

19. The members of the corps may make rules for the management of the property, finances, and civil affairs of the corps, but such rules shall not have effect unless and until they have been approved by the Governor and have been published in the Gazette, and upon publication in the Gazette the rules so approved shall be binding on all members of the corps. Rules for
management
of property,
etc., of
corps.

20. All moneys subscribed by or to, or for the use of the corps and all effects belonging to the 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 Commandant for the time being with power for him to sue, to make contracts and conveyances, and to do all other lawful things relating thereto, and the Commandant shall be deemed to be a public officer within the meaning of the Crown Suits Ordinance, 1910, and the service of the corps shall be deemed to be a public service within the meaning of that Ordinance. Vesting of
property
of corps
in the
Commandant
ex officio.

Ordinance
No. 5 of
1910.

21. If any officer of the corps or volunteer fails duly to deliver up in good order (fair wear and tear excepted) any arms, clothing or appointments which he is liable under this Ordinance to deliver up, or any arms clothing, or appoint- Return of
arms etc.

ments, being public property or the property of the corps, which he has been ordered to deliver up either temporarily or permanently, he shall upon summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars.

Recovery of subscriptions and fines.

22. If any person belonging or having belonged to the corps refuses or neglects to pay anything subscribed or undertaken to be paid by him towards any of the funds or expenses of the corps or due under the rules of the corps and actually payable by him, or to pay any fine incurred by him under the rules of the 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 fund of the corps.

PART V.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Summary remedies.

23. Any money, pecuniary penalty, or fine recoverable under this Ordinance may be recovered in a summary way before a magistrate.

Appearance before magistrate of Commandant.

24. The Commandant may appear before a magistrate by any member of the corps authorised by him in writing under his hand.

Storage of gunpowder, etc.

25. The provisions of any Ordinance relating to the storage of gunpowder or explosives shall not apply to gunpowder or explosives belonging to the corps but such gunpowder and explosives shall only be stored in such places and subject to such regulations as may be approved by the Governor.

Payment of public money for corps.

26. It shall be lawful for the Treasurer to pay to the Commandant for the purposes of the corps such sum in each year as may be authorised by the Governor in Council out of moneys voted by the Legislative Council.

Oath of allegiance.

27.—(1) Subject to the provisions of any regulation made under this Ordinance relating to members of auxiliary units, every officer of the corps and volunteer shall, on his admission to the corps or as soon afterwards as may be, take the oath or make the declaration appropriate to his case in the Second Schedule to be administered by a justice of the peace, or by an officer of the corps who has taken such oath or made such declaration, or by the Adjutant, or by any officer of His Majesty's regular forces attached to the corps.

Second Schedule.

(2) Every person who was a member of the Hong Kong Defence Corps on the 23rd day of December, 1919, shall be exempt from the provisions of this section, but such exemption shall not relieve any such person from any duty or liability to which he would have been subject if he had taken the oath or declaration of allegiance prescribed by sub-section (1).

Obstructing member of corps.

28. Every person who obstructs or resists any member of the corps in the discharge of his duty shall upon summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, and to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months.

29. The Volunteer Ordinance, 1920, the Volunteer Amendment Ordinance, 1926, and the Volunteer Amendment Ordinance, 1927, are repealed.

Repeal of Ordinances No. 2 of 1920, No. 15 of 1926, and No. 27 of 1927.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

[s. 10 (2).]

1. These regulations may be cited as the Hong Kong Volunteer Regulations. Short title.

2. In these regulations "the corps" means the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps. Interpretation.

Constitution of the corps.

3.—(1) The corps shall consist of the following units and auxiliary units:— Composition and command.

Corps units.

- (a) Corps Headquarters.
- (b) The Corps Band.
- (c) The Battery.
- (d) Engineer Company.
- (e) Corps Signals.
- (f) Machine Gun Troop.
- (g) Armoured Car Section.
- (h) Motor Machine Gun Section.
- (i) Machine Gun Company.
- (j) Scottish Company.
- (k) Portuguese Company.
- (l) Anzac Company.
- (m) Flying Section.
- (n) Medical Section.
- (o) Reserve Company.
- (p) Reserve of Officers.

Auxiliary units.

- (q) Army Service Corps Cadre.
- (r) Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company.
- (s) Lights Section Cadre.

(2) Subject to the provisions of the Army Act and of the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, and of these regulations the corps shall be under the orders of the General Officer Commanding the Troops, subject to the general control of the Governor.

(3) The corps shall be under the executive command of an officer who may be either a volunteer officer or an officer of His Majesty's regular forces. If this officer is a volunteer officer, the adjutant of the corps shall be an officer of His Majesty's regular forces, appointed by the Army Council, unless no regular officer is available. Appointment as Commandant will be made for a period of four years. The Governor, upon the recommendation of the General Officer Commanding the Troops, may extend such period for terms not exceeding two years, but no Commandant will be permitted to retain his command beyond eight years in all, or beyond the age laid down in regulation 6 of these regulations, whichever may first happen.

(4) The Reserve Company shall consist generally of men who have reached the age of 40 years. No man who is under that age shall join the Reserve Company except with the special permission of the Commandant.

(5)—(a) The Army Service Corps Cadre and Lights Section Cadre shall consist of specially selected individuals whose previous training has rendered them fit to perform such duties as they may be required to perform if called out for actual military service.

(b) The members of the said Cadres and of the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company shall upon admission make and sign in the presence of an officer of the corps the declaration set out in Form No. 3 in the Second Schedule to the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933.

(c) If either of the said Cadres or the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company is called out for actual military service every member thereof shall thereupon take the oath or make the declaration specified in Forms Nos. 1 and 2 in the Second Schedule to the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, unless he has already taken the said oath or made the said declaration and has not quitted the corps after the taking of such oath or the making of such declaration.

(d) The members of the said Cadres shall not be required to undergo any training, and shall not, unless called out for actual military service, be required to attend any parade or inspection.

(e) No uniform will be issued to the members of the said Cadres or the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company unless they are called out for actual military service.

(f) A member of either of the said Cadres or the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company may also be a member of the Reserve Company, in which case he shall be subject to all the obligations to which members of that company are subject.

(g) All members of the Army Service Corps Cadre, Lights Section Cadre and the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company shall be at liberty to attend any voluntary parades or exercises organized by their officers.

(6) Any officer of the corps whose transference to the Reserve of Officers is approved by the Governor, and every officer of the corps who shall be absent from the Colony for a longer period than fifteen consecutive months, shall be transferred to the Reserve of Officers. The said period of fifteen consecutive months may be wholly or in part prior to the date of the coming into force of these regulations.

(7) An officer of the corps who shall have been transferred to the Reserve of Officers by reason of absence as aforesaid and shall thereafter return to the Colony may be transferred to the active list or be retained in the Reserve of Officers at the discretion of the Commandant.

(8) Members of the Reserve of Officers shall not be required to undergo any training, and shall not, unless called up for actual military service, be required to attend any parade or inspection.

(9) The Commandant may, with the approval of the Governor, establish one or more cadet companies in connexion with the corps, and every such company shall as regards its establishment, administration, and government, be subject to such regulations as the Commandant may make with the approval of the Governor.

Establishment of corps.

4. The establishment of the corps shall be fixed from time to time as circumstances may require.

Appointment and promotion of officers and staff.

5.—(1) Recommendations for the appointment and promotion of all officers of units will be submitted by the Commandant to the Governor through the General Officer Commanding the Troops.

(2) Every officer upon his first appointment in the corps to any rank, and every officer before promotion to any higher rank, shall pass the examination prescribed for that rank: Provided that the General Officer Commanding the Troops may exempt any officer from compliance with this paragraph either wholly or in part, and may extend the time for passing such examination, but if any officer fails to comply with the conditions of any such exemption or extension he shall revert to his former rank.

(3) The nature of the examination in each case shall be as may be prescribed by the General Officer Commanding the Troops.

(4) The examining board shall be appointed by the General Officer Commanding the Troops.

(5) An officer whose turn for promotion arrives may be superseded if he has not passed the prescribed examination.

(6) Supernumerary officers may be appointed in any unit, but any such officers shall be absorbed into the establishment as soon as vacancies occur therein.

(7) All appointments and promotions of members of the staff and of officers shall be notified in the Gazette and shall take effect from the date of such Gazette or from such other date as may be specified in the notification.

(8) The appointment and promotion of all members of the staff and officers are vested in the Governor.

6. The ages at which officers of the corps shall be compulsorily retired shall be in accordance with the following table:—

	<i>Years.</i>
Colonels	57
Lieutenant Colonels	55
Majors	50
Captains and subalterns	45
Quartermasters	55

Compulsory retirement of officers.

unless an extension is granted by the Governor on the recommendation of the General Officer Commanding the Troops. Such extensions will not be granted for more than two years at a time, nor beyond a further period of five years.

7.—(1) The appointment and promotion of all non-commissioned officers of units are vested in the Commandant.

Appointment and promotion of non-commissioned officers.

(2) Recommendations for the appointment and promotion of all non-commissioned officers of units will be submitted by the commanding officers of such units to the Commandant.

(3) Promotion will be subject to the passing of such an examination as may be prescribed or approved by the General Officer Commanding the Troops.

Training.

8. The training to be carried out will be as prescribed in the First Appendix.

Training. First Appendix.

Courses.

9.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this regulation, an officer whose attendance for a course of training or instruction, in the United Kingdom, with some unit or at a school of instruction, has been approved by the General Officer Commanding the Troops, will be allowed twenty shillings for each day of such attendance, together with necessary travelling expenses, in the United Kingdom, to commence the course and to return thereafter.

Allowances, etc., in respect of courses.

(2) In like circumstances a warrant officer or non-commissioned officer will be allowed ten shillings a day, together with necessary travelling expenses as mentioned in the foregoing paragraph.

(3) The allowances mentioned in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this regulation will normally be limited to fifteen days attendance at a course: No allowance whatever will be paid in respect of attendance after the fifteenth day unless the course is one of long duration, such as a Machine Gun Course, in which case the limit may be extended to the actual duration of the course in any case where the General Officer Commanding the Troops sees fit to direct an extension.

Equipment.

Uniform. **10.**—(1) Officers will provide and maintain their own uniform and appointments according to the scale laid down in the Second Appendix.

Second Appendix.

Third Appendix. (2) Other ranks will be provided with uniform in accordance with the scale laid down in the Third Appendix.

(3) In no circumstances may articles of uniform be worn with plain clothes.

Officers outfit allowance. **11.**—(1) An allowance towards the cost of his outfit of not more than three hundred dollars will be paid to each officer on his first appointment as an officer in the corps: Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to those officers who were officers of the Hong Kong Defence Corps immediately before the repeal of the Military Service Ordinance, 1917, unless the General Officer Commanding the Troops shall otherwise direct. Provided further that the allowance shall be limited to outfit purchased within six months of the officer's first appointment and in respect of which an account, supported by vouchers approved by the Commandant, is promptly submitted by the officer to the Commandant. Provided further that every officer to whom any such allowance is paid shall sign an undertaking to hand back to the corps in serviceable condition, fair wear and tear excepted, his belt, Sam Browne complete with braces, frog, ammunition pouch and pistol case, his sword, infantry pattern with brown leather scabbard and knot, and his pistol and lanyard, in the event of his ceasing to serve as an officer in the corps within three years of his first appointment as such officer, or to refund to the corps the full value, to be determined by the Commandant, of any of the said articles not so returned.

(2) Should an officer fail to become proficient within twelve months from appointment, he shall at the discretion of the Commandant be liable to refund all or part of the allowance made to him.

Stores.

Stock-book to be kept. **12.** A stock-book for stores issued on payment shall be kept showing the nature and value of each article and the member of the corps to whom it is issued.

Order book to be kept. **13.** For every receipt and issue of stores there shall be a voucher. An order book for all stores required shall be kept, and, on receipt of the stores, entry shall be made in the stock-book. The receipt vouchers shall consist of the counterfoils of the order book, or of invoices from the Crown Agents, or from firms or departments which supply stores. Issue vouchers shall consist of receipts signed by the members of the corps to whom the stores are issued on an issue book with pages numbered consecutively. The issue book shall be checked by the Commandant and each signature shall be authenticated by his initials.

Entries in stock-book. **14.** In every case the folio of the stock-book shall be inserted on the voucher and the entries made on the day of issue.

Ordering of stores. **15.** All stores ordered from England must be obtained in the usual manner through the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

Responsibility for and care of stores. **16.** The Commandant, assisted by the quartermaster, is responsible to the Hong Kong Government for all stores, arms and equipment supplied by the Government for use by the Corps.

Regimental Institute. **17.** The Commandant may, with the approval of the Governor, make regulations for the management of the Regimental Institute.

- 18.**—(1) The following books shall be kept by the Adjutant:— **Books and returns.**
- (a) Muster roll;
 - (b) Record of attendance at parades, drills, and machine gun, rifle, and revolver practices;
 - (c) Cash ledger.

- (2) The following books shall be kept by the Quartermaster:—
- (a) Stock-book for stores;
 - (b) Order book for stores;
 - (c) Ammunition account.

(3) Each officer commanding any unit of the corps will keep for his own unit a record of attendance at parades, drills, and rifle and revolver practices.

- (4) Periodical returns and reports shall be rendered by the Commandant as prescribed in the Fourth Appendix. **Fourth Appendix.**

First Appendix.

[Reg. 8]

TRAINING.

1. For training purposes the year will be divided into the two following periods:—

Cold weather:—15th October to 15th April.

Hot weather:—16th April to 14th October.

2. There will be a camp of exercise during the cold weather.

3. Subject to the provisions of paragraphs 4, 5, and 6, and subject to the regulations in the First Schedule to the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, relating to members of auxiliary units, every officer and every volunteer shall undergo the following training annually:—

(a) Attend 15 drills or instruction parades, each drill or instruction parade to consist of not less than one hour's actual instruction.

(b) Carry out the range practices prescribed for the unit of the corps to which he belongs.

(c) Perform such training preliminary to range practice as may be ordered by the Commandant, provided that this shall not exceed 3 hours in total duration.

(d) Attend camp for four days. At least two of these days must be consecutive and include a night in camp. For attendance in camp to count as a day, an officer or volunteer must report himself in camp before 8 a.m. and not leave the camp before 5 p.m. In special cases approved by the Commandant, two days in camp may be replaced by drills at the rate of 3 drills for each day.

(e) Attend the annual inspection parade.

4. Volunteers who have been declared efficient in three years, which need not be consecutive, shall undergo only the following modified training:—

(a) Attend 10 drills or instruction parades, each drill or parade to consist of not less than one hour's actual instruction.

(b) Fire the classification practices of the musketry course.

(c) Perform such training preliminary to range practice as may be ordered by the Commandant, provided that this shall not exceed 3 hours in total duration.

(d) Attend camp for 2 consecutive days, *i.e.*, from 8 a.m. one day to 5 p.m. the next day.

(e) Attend the annual inspection parade.

5. The Commandant, with the approval of the General Officer Commanding the Troops, may exempt any particular portion of the corps from any of the requirements of paragraph 3, or may substitute any equivalent training for any of the said requirements.

6. The reserve company shall undergo the following training annually:—

(a) Musketry instruction and musketry practice (a modified course only).

(b) Annual inspection.

The camp will be optional for this company.

7. Every bandsman shall attend camp, the annual inspection parade, and such band practices, drills and parades as the Commandant shall direct.

8.—(1) A recruit shall during his first year of training attend 40 drills or instruction parades, or such less number of drills and parades as may suffice to render him fit to be passed into the ranks.

(2) A recruit for the reserve company shall during his first year of training attend 20 drills or instruction parades, or such less number of drills and parades as may suffice to render him fit to be passed into the ranks.

(3) Each drill or instruction parade shall consist of not less than one hour's actual instruction.

(4) The term "recruit" includes every volunteer who has not served for at least one year in one of the following forces:—

Royal Navy.

Regular Army.

Royal Marines.

Militia.

Special Reserve.

Imperial Yeomanry.

Any volunteer or defence force in His Majesty's dominions.

Territorial Force.

Royal Irish Constabulary.

The permanent forces of any part of His Majesty's dominions outside Great Britain.

Any University officers training corps.

9. The musketry course will be as laid down in the current Army Regulations.

10. The officers commanding the respective units shall fix the time and place of parades, drills, and rifle practices.

11. Classes will be held at convenient times in each year for the instruction of members desirous of obtaining certificates of qualification for promotion as non-commissioned officers.

12. No officer or volunteer shall be deemed to be efficient in any given year until he has undergone the annual training prescribed by or under this Appendix.

Second Appendix.

[Reg. 10 (1)]

UNIFORM TO BE PROVIDED AND KEPT BY OFFICERS.

Articles.	No.
Helmet, khaki with brown leather chin strap.....	1
Cap, blue forage with gilt badge	1
Jacket, khaki drill, with gilt collar badges and badges of rank	2
Trousers, khaki drill (turned up)	1 pr.
Shorts, khaki	2 prs.
Shirts, khaki drill, with collar and tie.....	2
Putties, khaki	1 pr.
Rain coat, khaki of approved pattern	1
Boots, brown regulation	1 pr.
Belt, Sam Browne complete with braces, frog, am- munition pouch and pistol case	1
Sword, infantry pattern with brown leather scabbard and knot.....	1
Pistol and lanyard, any pattern pistol which will carry service ammunition	1
Whistle and cord	1
Waterbottle, service pattern	1
Haversack, service pattern.....	1
Buttons, brass, (small)	1 doz.
Mess jacket, Melton Cream	1
Overalls	1 pr.
Mess jacket, white drill	1
Mess waistcoat	1
Mess Wellingtons.....	1 pr.

Third Appendix.

(1) UNIFORM FOR MEMBERS.

[Reg. 10 (2)]

1. Helmet and fittings, khaki, 1
2. Cap, F .S. Blue, 1
3. Greatcoat, 1
4. Boots, military pattern, 1 pair
5. Jacket, khaki drill, 2
6. Trousers, khaki drill, 1 pair
7. Shirts, khaki drill, 2
8. Shorts, khaki drill,..... 2 pairs
9. Putties, khaki, 1 pair

- (2) In the Machine Gun Troop, the following shall be added:—
 Breeches, 2 pairs
- (3) In the Scottish Company, the following shall be substituted or added:—
 Cap, Glengarry, 1
 Kilt, Gordon, 1
 Shorts, khaki drill, 1 pair
 Kilt pin, 1
 Sporrans, 1
 Hose Tops, diced, 1 pair
 Garters, Highland, 1 pair
 Gaiters, 1 pair
 Shoes, Highland, 1 pair
- (4) Members of the Anzac Company are issued with:—
 Hat, Felt, Service dress, 1
 Shorts, 1 pair
 Breeches, 1 pair
 Trousers, 1 pair
- (5) Members of the Battery and Motor Machine Gun Section are issued with:—
 Breeches, 1 pair
- (6) Members of the Armoured Car Section are issued with:—
 Cap, R. Tank Corps, 1
 Trousers, khaki drill, 2 pairs
- (7) Members of the Engineer Company are issued with:—
 Shorts, 1 pair
 Trousers, 2 pairs

Fourth Appendix. [Reg. 18 (4)]

RETURNS AND REPORTS.

The following returns and reports will be rendered by the Commandant to the General Officer Commanding the Troops at the respective times specified below for transmission to the Governor:—

No.	Name of returns.	When due.
1	Annual return of corps,.....	1st January.
2	Return of arms, accoutrements, etc.,.....	Do.
3	Annual abstract of receipts and expenditure,	15th February.
4	Report on annual training,	After annual training.
5	Report on machine gun and musketry practices,	To accompany above.
6	Report on revolver practice,	Do.
7	State of corps,	Do.
8	Monthly return,	1st of each month.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

[s. 27 and
Reg. 3 (5) (c)]

FORM No. 1.

Oath of officer and volunteer.

I, *A.B.*, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King GEORGE the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps in accordance with the provisions of the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, and of the regulations and rules which may be in force thereunder from time to time.

FORM No. 2.

Declaration of officer and volunteer to be made in lieu of the oath, if such officer or volunteer objects to take the oath.

I, *A.B.*, do solemnly, sincerely, and truly declare that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King GEORGE the Fifth, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will faithfully serve His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps in accordance with the provisions of the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, and of the regulations and rules which may be in force thereunder from time to time.

FORM No. 3.

[Reg. 3 (5) (b)]

Declaration to be made by the members of the Army Service Corps Cadre, Lights Section Cadre, and Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company.

I, *A.B.*, hereby undertake that I will serve in the.....
.....of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps until I resign therefrom in writing, and that in the event of such unit being called up for actual military service while I am still a member thereof I will serve in such unit until the period of service of the said unit is terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, or until arrangements can be made to effect my relief. I further undertake to notify the Commandant of the said Corps in the event of my departure from the Colony and of my return to the Colony.

.....
Signature of member.

.....
Countersignature of Officer.

Hong Kong,, 19.....

Objects and Reasons.

1. The Volunteer Ordinance, 1920, has been mutilated by the Amendment Ordinances of 1926 and 1927 and by numerous notifications in the Gazettes amending its Schedules. This is inconvenient in the case of an Ordinance, a complete copy of which should be accessible to every member.

2. Moreover the principal Ordinance contemplated an organization of several volunteer corps, under different styles, and was drafted accordingly. The amendment Ordinance of 1927 made provision for the inclusion of any number of auxiliary units in any such corps, but the amendments to the

regulations in the Schedule (see Government Notifications Nos. 749 of 1927 and 664 of 1930) refer to "the corps" and provide that it shall consist of certain named corps units as "units and auxiliary units". The very name of the corps is not mentioned in the Ordinances and has to be sought in Government Notification No. 178 of 1920. Paragraph (d) of section 2 (as amended in 1926) provided that except in one case "officer means a person holding a commission as officer in a volunteer corps", whereas the word "officer" is frequently used in the Ordinance to denote an officer of the regular forces. Section 3 of the 1920 Ordinance authorised the Governor to accept the services of persons desiring to be formed into a volunteer corps, but contained no express provision for enrolment of members after the corps had been formed.

3. To remove these and other defects it has been thought best to repeal the existing Ordinances and to re-enact them in a redrafted consolidation Ordinance to which a Table of Correspondence, showing the precise nature of the amendments effected, is attached.

4. In redrafting section 4 it has been considered desirable to state expressly that the commissioned officers of the corps shall be British subjects. The Act of Settlement (12 & 13 Will. III, c. 2, s. 3) prohibits aliens holding military office. An officer holds an office within the meaning of the Act, (See Manual of Military Law, 1929, p. 216 footnote).

5. In section 12 (the old section 13) a reference to courses of instruction or training has been added; and the proviso, limiting pay and allowances to a maximum of seven days in any one year, has been omitted so as to conform with regulation No. 9 in the First Schedule.

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Attorney General.

April, 1933.

TABLE OF CORRESPONDENCE.

New Ordinance.	Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	Remarks.
Long title	Long title.	"to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps" substituted for "to provide for the establishment of a Volunteer Force".
S. 1.	S. 1.	"1933" for "1920".
S. 2.	S. 2.	<p>para. (a) is the old para. (b).</p> <p>para. (b) is the old para. (a) as amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 2. but "of a volunteer corps" omitted and "means the person" for "means the officer" and "no such person" for "no such officer".</p> <p>para. (c) is new but taken from G.N. 178 of 1920.</p> <p>para. (d) is the old para. (c) redrafted to conform with the language of paragraph II of the Royal Instructions.</p> <p>para. (e) is the old paragraph (d) redrafted, <i>see</i> para. 2 of Objects and Reasons; para. (f) is the old para. (e) with the word "thereof" added.</p>
Part I. Sub-heading. S. 3.	Part I. Sub-heading. S. 3.	<p>"of volunteer corps" omitted.</p> <p>Section 3 is new and is substituted for the old Section 3 as amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927. <i>See</i> para. 2 of Objects and Reasons.</p>
S. 4.	S. 4.	"shall be British subjects" added, <i>see</i> para. 4 of Objects and Reasons.
S. 5.	S. 5.	As amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, "quit the corps" for "quit his corps" in (1), "of his corps" deleted in (1) (a). "the corps" for "his corps" in (2) and (3). "of his Corps" deleted in (3).
S. 6.	S. 6.	
S. 7.	S. 7.	"Every Volunteer" deleted.
S. 8.	S. 9.	The old section 8 was repealed by Ordinance No. 2 of 1921, "the" for "any volunteer".
S. 9.	S. 10.	"the corps to inquire into any matter relating to the corps or to any officer of the corps" for "any volunteer corps to inquire into any matter relative to the corps or to any officer".

Table of Correspondence,—Continued.

New Ordinance.	Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	Remarks.
S. 10.	S. 11.	As amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 2, "the" for "any volunteer".
S. 11 (1).	S. 12 (1).	As amended by Ordinance No. 15 of 1926, "the corps" for "any volunteer corps".
S. 11 (2).	S. 12 (2).	"of the corps and volunteer" for "and volunteer belonging to every corps or portion thereof".
S. 11 (3).	S. 12 (3).	"from the time of his corps being" omitted.
S. 11 (4).	S. 12 (4).	—
S. 11 (5).	S. 12 (5).	—
S. 11 (6).	S. 12 (6).	as enacted by Ordinance No. 15 of 1926, "corps or the portion thereof" for "volunteer corps or the portion of the volunteer corps".
S. 12.	S. 13.	as enacted by Ordinance No. 15 of 1926 "all officers of the corps" for "all officers": "or attending courses of training or instruction" added. Proviso omitted. <i>See</i> para. 5 of Objects and Reasons.
S. 13.	S. 14.	"of the corps" added.
S. 14.	S. 15.	Do.
S. 15 (1).	S. 16 (1).	As amended by Ordinance No. 15 of 1926, S. 5 and No. 27 of 1927, SS. 2 and 5. "of the corps" added in first line and in para. (iv); "of a volunteer corps" omitted in para. (i); "the" for "his" in para. (i); "to which he belongs" omitted in para. (iv) (a); "the corps" for "such corps" in para. (iv) (b) and (c); "of the corps" omitted after "Commandant" in para. (iv). "or custody under the proviso to" for "under the provisions of" in para. (v).
S. 15 (2) & (3).	S. 16 (2) & (3).	as enacted by Ordinance No. 15 of 1926, S. 5. "of the corps" added after "officer" wherever it occurs, "proviso to" for "provisions of" in sub-section (3).
S. 16.	S. 16 A.	As enacted by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 6. "the corps" for "a volunteer corps" wherever it occurs.
S. 17.	S. 17.	"of the corps" added after "officers wherever it occurs. Sub-section

Table of Correspondence,—Continued.

Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	New Ordinance.	Remarks.
		(2) as amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 7. but redrafted to conform with 44 & 45 Vict. c. 58, s. 177, Sub-section (3) as enacted by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, s. 7. "or custody" added after "arrest", see S. 15 (1) (iv) and (v) and S. 15 (3).
S. 18.	S. 17 A.	As enacted by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 8 "of any volunteer corps" omitted after "Commandant"; "officer of the corps or volunteer" for "officer or volunteer of such corps" in sub-section (1) "every such officer" for "every officer" in sub-section (2).
S. 19.	S. 18.	"the corps" for "a volunteer corps"
S. 20.	S. 19.	as amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 2. "the corps" for "a volunteer corps" and "any such corps"; "of the corps" and "of a volunteer corps" omitted after "Commandant", "the corps" for "any volunteer corps".
S. 21.	S. 20.	As enacted by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 9 "of the corps" added after "officer", "he" inserted before "shall".
S. 22.	S. 21.	"the corps" for "a volunteer corps".
S. 23.	S. 22.	—
S. 24.	S. 23.	As amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 2.
S. 25.	S. 24.	"the corps" for "any corps established or raised under this Ordinance".
S. 26.	S. 25.	As amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 2 "of any volunteer corps" omitted.
S. 27.	S. 26.	As amended by Ordinance No. 27 of 1927, S. 10. "of the corps" added after "every officer"; "the corps" for "a volunteer corps" "appropriate to his case" added after "declaration" in sub-section (1).
S. 28.	S. 27.	"the corps" for "a volunteer corps".
S. 29.	—	Repeals the existing Volunteer Ordinances.

TABLE OF CORRESPONDENCE.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Regulation in First Schedule to Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	Regulation in new Schedule.	Remarks.
1	1.	—
2	2.	Redrafted. <i>See</i> G.N. 178/20 which gave the designation of the corps.
3.	3.	For reg. 3 under Ordinance No. 2 of 1920 <i>see</i> G.N. 749/27 and G.N. 664/30.
3 (1).	.. (1).	<p><i>Changes:—</i></p> <p>(g) Armoured Car Company, Car Section and Motor Cycle Section.</p> <p><i>New nomenclature:—</i></p> <p>(g) Armoured Car Section.</p> <p>(h) Motor Machine Gun Section.</p> <p><i>Addition:—</i></p> <p>Anzac Company.</p> <p>Antiaircraft Light Automatic Company.</p> <p><i>Other changes:—</i></p> <p>The auxiliary units are grouped.</p>
3 (2).	.. (2).	—
3 (3).	.. (3).	The matter relating to the period of the appointment of the Commandant is new.
	.. (4).	It is considered that this is an unnecessary provision in the regulations.
	.. (5).	Omitted. The Corps Band is now a Corps Unit.
	.. (6).	Omitted. Corps Signals appears in the list of Units; it seems unnecessary to mention any specially trained portion of such Unit.
3 (4).	.. (7).	—
	.. (8).	It is considered that this is not required.
3 (5).	.. (9).	Consequential amendment made following addition of the Anti-aircraft Light Automatic Company as a Corps Unit.
3 (6).	.. (10).	—

Table of Correspondence,—Continued.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Regulation in First Schedule to Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	Regulation in New Schedule.	Remarks.
3 (9).	3 (13).	—
4.	4.	—
5 (1)-(8).	5 (1)-(8).	—
5 (9).	5 (9).	See G.N. 297/26. This has been omitted having regard to sections 2 (b), 4 and 6 of the Ordinance.
6.		New matter dealing with retirement ages.
7.	6.	—
8	7.	—
9	7. A.	See G.N. 124/28. It is considered that it should be within the power of the General Officer Commanding the Troops to extend the limit of 15 days where a long course <i>e.g.</i> a Machine Gun Course, is attended, para. (3) makes provision for such extension.
10.	8.	—
11.	9.	See G.N. 108/28 and G.N. 664/30. Para. (3) has been omitted as being no longer required.
12.	10.	—
13.	11.	—
14.	12.	—
15	13.	—
16.	14 & 15.	See G.N. 691/31.
17.	16.	—
18 (1)-(2).	17 (1).	'Cash ledger' has been substituted for "Accounts of receipts and expenditure", and the books to be kept by the Adjutant and Quartermaster respectively have been grouped.
18 (3).	17 (2).	Slightly altered. All Unit Commanders are required to keep records.
18 (4)	17 (3).	—
		<i>First Appendix.</i>
		See G.N. 749/27. Paragraph 7 mad more specific.

Table of Correspondence,—Continued.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

Regulation in New Schedule.	Regulation in First Schedule to Ordinance No. 2 of 1920.	Remarks.
		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Second Appendix.</i></p> <p>See G.N. 664/30.</p> <p>Only change:—</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“Jacket” substituted for “Tunic”.</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Third Appendix.</i></p> <p>This has been brought up-to-date</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Fourth Appendix.</i></p> <p>No change.</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Second Schedule.</i></p>
Forms 1 & 2.	Forms 1 & 2.	No change.
Form 3	Form 3.	<p>See G.N. 749/27. Slightly altered to meet the addition of the Antiaircraft Light Automatic Company.</p>