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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

# MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

## Volunteers.

Read the following :—

No. 190. *Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Military Department; dated Simla, the 20th October 1892, No. 3424-B.*

Volunteers.

Read—

Resolution of the Government of India in the Military Department, No. 501-B, dated Fort William, the 9th February 1892.

Letter from the President, Volunteer Committee, dated the 27th February 1892.

Resolution of the Government of India in the Military Department, No. 1026-B, dated Fort William, the 18th March 1892.

Letter to the Adjutant-General in India, No. 1098-B, dated 24th March 1892.

Letter from the Adjutant-General in India, No. 2098-D, dated 11th June 1892.

*Observations.*—In the Resolution of the Government of India No. 501-B, dated the 9th February 1892, the Governor-General in Council directed that a Committee of volunteer officers should assemble at Calcutta on the 10th February 1892, to consider and report on various important questions connected with volunteering in India. The Committee met in pursuance of this order, and their report was submitted to the Government of India on the 27th February 1892. In Government of India Resolution No. 1026-B, dated the 18th March 1892, the Governor-General in Council acknowledged the services rendered by the Committee and stated that their report would receive careful consideration. The recommendations made by the Committee are numerous, and the orders upon the report of the Committee as a whole must necessarily be delayed; but as conclusions have been arrived at on some points, the Governor-General in Council has resolved that the publication of the decisions on such matters as have been settled shall not be postponed.

*Resolution.*—The following decisions are promulgated for information and guidance :—

| Proposals made to the Committee. | Recommendations of the Committee. | Decisions of the Governor-General in Council. |
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| Head I—*Constitution.* | | |
| No. 1. That all servants of Government be compelled to become volunteers. | The Committee consider that it is at present undesirable that the bearing of arms should be made a condition of Government service; but they suggest that the Government of India be moved to address all Local Governments on the extreme importance of enlisting the active interest and co-operation of all heads of departments in the encouragement of volunteering among their subordinates and in the provision of sufficient facilities for the attendance of volunteers at their parades and musketry practice necessary to make them efficient.<br>Information having been received by the Committee that in certain cases Government servants, who were absent on volunteer duties, were mulct of their pay for the absence, the Committee strongly recommend that no such deprivation be permitted. | The Local Governments to be addressed as recommended. |
| No. 2. The importance of the volunteer movement to be impressed on Local Governments and Administrations. | The Committee strongly endorse the recommendation of the Simla Volunteer Committee, which was that the necessity for the volunteer movement being encouraged should be impressed on all Local Governments as a question of Imperial policy. The Committee understand that in certain Local Administrations no support whatever is given to the volunteer movement. | Ditto. |
| No. 3. That the Agents of tea gardens be asked to allow Managers and their Assistants to become volunteers and attend parades and class firing. | The Committee recommend that all employers of European and Eurasian labour be strongly urged by Local Governments to encourage their Managers and Assistants to become volunteers, and to give leave liberally in order to enable them to attend volunteer duties. | Ditto. |
| No. 4. That preference for Government employment be given to volunteers. | Recommended that the principle of giving preference to volunteers and sons of volunteers for Government employment should be accepted by Government. | For first appointments to Government employment of Europeans or Eurasians as between themselves, the fact of the candidate being a volunteer, or the son of a volunteer, should be taken into consideration. |



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| Head I.—*Constitution*—cont. | | |
| No. 5. Grant of leave to volunteers for volunteer purposes. | The Committee understand that the Punjab Government grant 7 days' leave during the drill season to volunteers in their employ for attending field days, one hour's leave each week for attending parade during the drill season, and one hour's leave, morning and evening, during camp week. These concessions the Committee recommend may be adopted by all Local Governments.<br>The Committee also recommend that the necessity, on volunteer grounds, of a general weekly half-holiday be brought by Local Government to the notice of firms and employers of labour. | Local Governments and Administrations should be informed of the practice in the Punjab in respect to the grant of leave, and it should be suggested to them that they should inform heads of departments that reasonable facilities in the way of leave should, when possible, be granted to volunteers for the purpose of attending drill, &c., so far as this can be done without unfairness to other employés. |
| No. 6. That the rules for the election of officers of volunteer corps be altered, officers being appointed by selection instead | The Committee consider that the present system by which officers, except in railway corps, are elected by the corps, has worked well on the whole, and is a privilege much valued by the volunteers themselves, and that it is, therefore, undesirable that that system should be changed. | The system of election will not be changed. |
| No. 8. That the prefix "Honorary" as applied to surgeons be abolished, and that all such officers on appointment be designated according to the Establishment Tables. That the steps of honorary rank, as granted under para. 122 (*a*), Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, be also granted to surgeons. | Recommended that Army Order No. 260 of December 1891 be made applicable to medical officers appointed to volunteer corps in India. | This will be done. |
| No. 9. Separation of railway corps from district corps. Also whether railway volunteer corps should not be restricted from enrolling non-railway men when there is a non-railway corps in the locality willing to enlist them. | The Committee consider that the difficulty regarding non-railway men being enlisted in a railway corps, instead of in the local non-railway corps, could probably be met by amicable arrangements between the Commandants of the two corps, and that a hard-and-fast rule, prohibiting such enrolments, would probably be detrimental to volunteering. | No rule prohibiting such enrolments will be made. |
| No. 10. Whether the Volunteer Act (Act XX of 1869) should be modified so as to secure the services of volunteers at a distance from their headquarters. | The Committee recommend the extension of the local limits to which volunteer corps can be ordered to go, in the case of other than railway corps, to the limits of the civil district in which the headquarters of the corps are situated. In the case of railway corps, to the extent of the railway from the employés of which the corps are recruited. | The proposal will be carried out. Action is being taken separately on this subject. |

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| Head I.—*Constitution*—cont. | | |
| No. 11. Appointment of Military Officers to Volunteer Corps. | The Committee propose that the establishment of officers for volunteer corps laid down in para. 45, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, be held to apply to volunteer officers only, and that when military officers are appointed as paid Commandants, such appointments should be additional to the volunteer establishment. | Approved. |
| No. 12. Appointment of Adjutants to Volunteer Corps. | The Committee strongly endorse the recommendation of the Simla Volunteer Committee on this point, viz., that in the appointment of Adjutants to volunteer corps, the Commandant of the corps should be consulted. | Commandants of volunteer corps will be consulted in future as recommended. |
| No. 13. That in calculating service for retired rank, all service in the volunteers to count. | The Committee suggest that para. 123, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, be amended as follows, viz., that in line 2, for the words "10 of which" the words "5 of which" be substituted. | The proposal of the Committee to be adopted.<br>Para. 123, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, should be further amended so as to permit a volunteer officer retaining his rank on retirement, if he has completed 15 years' volunteer service, five of which are as commissioned officer, and three in the rank he held on retirement, or in that rank and the rank from which he was last promoted. |
| Head II.—*Interior Economy and Discipline.* | | |
| No. 1. Uniform ... | The Committee recommend—<br>(1) That the colour of the working uniform of infantry corps in the plains be "khaki."<br>(2) That the colour of the working uniform of corps in the hills be khaki (serge).<br>(3) That in the case of corps being able to afford two uniforms, one working and the other for full-dress purposes, the latter should be red.<br>(4) That for artillery and light horse volunteer corps the colour of the working uniform should be "khaki" and of the full-dress uniform (if any) blue.<br>(5) That a date should be fixed by the Government of India, say, the 1st January 1895, for the adoption of the above.<br>(6) That the Volunteer Clothing Regulations be amended, and a uniform pattern be laid down and made compulsory. | This proposal should be adopted.<br>The date from which the change of uniform should take place will be 1st January 1896. |
| No. 2. Free provision of ammunition boots. | The Committee consider that the provision of boots is one that should be arranged out of the capitation grant. | The Governor-General in Council concurs in this recommendation. |



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| Head II—*Interior Economy and Discipline*—cont. | | |
| No. 3. Mounted volunteers to be allowed to purchase horses from remount depôts. | The Committee recommend that mounted volunteer corps should have the privilege of obtaining the service of remount agents for the purchase of their horses at cost price, and that mounted officers of other volunteer corps should have the same privilege. | It will be impracticable to carry out this suggestion. Remount agents, except the Presidency Remount Agent, have been abolished. |
| No. 6. That troopers, who pass their proficiency examination, should be entitled to wear the proficiency badge. | The Committee recommend that all volunteers who pass the proficiency course be entitled to wear the proficiency badge, irrespective of rank. | The concession is already provided for in para. 126, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, as revised by clause 188, India Army Circulars of 1890. |
| Head III—*Measures involving expenditure on Corps.* | | |
| No. 9. That armouries, magazines, volunteer head-quarters (institutes, &c.), quarters for sergeant-instructors, &c., be provided by the State. | The Committee recommend that Government be requested to provide a sum annually in the military budget for the provision of armouries, magazines, quarters for sergeant-instructors and volunteer head-quarters (clubs, &c.). Also that paragraph 460, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, as amended by clause 60, India Army Circulars of 1887, be re-written, so as to prevent objections against expenditure of the capitation grant being urged by the Audit Department, as is now frequently the case. | Approved. A sum of Rs. 30,000 will be granted from the estimates of 1892-93 on this account. |
| No. 11. Allowances for expenses connected with volunteer camps and allowances for field days. | The Committee consider that the expenses of entertaining an inspecting officer and of providing refreshments for a corps on field days should certainly not fall upon the officers, nor entirely on the capitation fund. At present it is allowed to come on the capitation fund by the application of clause II, para. 460, Army Regulations, India, Vol. IX, as amended by India Army Circulars, clause 60 of 30th April 1887.<br>To assist corps, the Committee propose that the following allowances be specially made by Government:—<br>The extension of India Army Circulars, clause 206 of 1890, "Camps of Exercise," to ordinary field days, *i.e.*, a money-allowance of Re. 1 for each officer, non-commissioned officer, and man of any corps that has not been detailed for a camp of exercise in that particular year. These allowances to be granted for not more than seven field days in any one year, and to be supported by a certificate of the members attending on each occasion, signed by the commanding officer. It is estimated that the cost of this would come to about Rs. 20,000 a year. | Approved. The sum of Rs. 20,000 will be granted from the estimates of 1892-93 for distribution among volunteer corps for the purpose mentioned. |

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| Head III—*Measures involving expenditure on Corps*—cont. | | |
| No. 12. Grants for camps of exercise. | The Committee recommend that the concession to volunteer camps, as per clause 206, India Army Circulars of 1890, be raised from Rs. 15,000 to Rs. 60,000 per annum, and that the money be allowed rateably on the strength of each corps that submits an application, the minimum amount allowed per man remaining as heretofore.<br>Also recommend that the duration of camps of exercise be extended from five to six days.<br>Also that in the Circular quoted above, clause III, the words "or 50 per cent. of the corps" be inserted after the words "a hundred volunteers." | Approved. An additional sum of Rs. 45,000 will be granted from the estimates of 1892-93. |

The Governor-General in Council invites the earnest attention of all Local Governments and Administrations, Heads of Departments and Government officials generally to the measures above sanctioned, and directs that they be carefully carried out. His Excellency in Council also trusts that all non-official employers of European and Eurasian labour, such as Managers of tea gardens and other commercial undertakings, will heartily co-operate with Government officials in giving effect to the wishes of the Government of India in the above matters with regard to their employés, and will also support and encourage volunteering as far as it may be in their power to do so.

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*Order.*—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Departments of the Government of India, to all Local Governments and Administrations, to the Adjutant-General in India, and to all departments under the Military Department of the Government of India; to the President of the late Volunteer Committee, and to the Secretaries to the Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Calcutta Trades' Association.

(Signed) E. H. H. COLLEN,
*Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

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" Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
" Superintendent, Army Clothing.
" Superintendent, Family Payments and Pensions.
" Superintendent, Reserve Remount Depôt, Hosûr.
" Military Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.
" " " to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.
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