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STANDING GENERAL ORDERS

BY

HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

*Adjutant General's Office, Ootacamund,
Friday, 1st February 1895.*

No. 1.—Native Lines—Hutting.—For para. 1 of S.G.O. No. 31 of 1890, *substitute* the following:—

“The sets of lines which are the property of the State, are as follows, and will be occupied under the rules now promulgated. Regiments occupying them will not receive hutting allowance:—

District.	Station.	Lines.	Accommodation.
Madras District ...	Perambur ...	M. I. lines	For a full regiment.
	Royapuram ...	do.	For Head Quarters and Wing.
	Saint Thomas's Mount.	do.	For a Wing.
	Pallavarum ..	Depôt lines	For two companies.
	Vizianagram ...	M. I. lines	For a full regiment.
	Berhampur ...	do.	For Head Quarters and Wing.

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District.	Station.	Lines.	Accommodation.
Bangalore District	Bangalore	East lines	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
		West lines	do.
		North lines	do.
		South lines	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
Southern District...	Trichinopoly	North lines	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
		South lines	do.
	Cannanore	M. I. lines	do.
	Quilon	do.	For 6 companies.
	Trichur	do.	For 2 companies.
Belgaum District...	Belgaum	Right flank lines	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
		Left do.	do.
	Bellary	North lines	do.
		Cavalry lines	For a full regi- ment
Secunderabad Dis- trict.	Secunderabad...	Murredpully lines.	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
		Tarbund lines	do.
		Chilkulgoodium lines.	do.
		Begumpett lines	do.
		Bowenpully do.	For a full regi- ment of M. I.
Presidency District (Bengal).	Cuttack	M. I. lines	For a Wing."

By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

ELPHINSTONE BEGBIE, Colonel,
Officiating Adjutant General.

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*Adjutant General's Office, Ootacamund,
Friday, 8th February 1895.*

No. 2.—Books—Forms.—Pending a reprint of India Army Forms 324 and 325, the following additional column will be inserted before the column of remarks, in the existing stock of those forms :—

“Number and date of warrant on which the recruit, or recruits, travelled for final medical examination, and by whom issued.”

No. 3.—Books—Forms.—*M. M.* Form 486.—“Report of alterations and casualties of Horses” is expunged from the list of forms in use (*M. M.* Form 392).

No. 4.—The following General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India are republished :—

1st December 1894.

No. 71.

Books—Regulations.—The following corrections are made in Army Regulations, India, Vol. II, “Discipline” :—

Para. 79.—*Add at end :—*

“And they will come under the conditions of paragraphs 74 to 78 and 115 to such extent as those

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conditions may be applicable in each case. Second Lieutenants of over two years and three months' service from date of first commission will be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant on appointment, provided they have passed in the native languages by the lower standard. Officers above the rank of Second Lieutenant will carry with them the rank they hold on appointment to the Staff Corps."

Para. 331-A.—*Add the following:—*

"Officers of the Staff Corps on leave in England, who have not passed Part I, can, with the permission of the Secretary of State for India, be admitted to garrison courses and to the examination in Part II in that country, on the distinct understanding that they will pass Part I, within six months of their return to their appointments in India; failing which they will be required to pass Part II again (see also para. 3, chap. IX, section IX of these Regulations).

Para. 338.—In line seven, after the words "Part II," *add the words* "(but see para. 331-A)."

Section IX.—Chapter IX is revised as follows:—

Memorandum relating to Classes of Instruction which officers of the Indian Staff Corps are permitted to attend while on leave in England.

1. An officer of the Indian Staff Corps who is desirous of joining a class of instruction while on leave in England must apply in writing to the Under-Secretary of State for India, India Office, London, S. W. Applicants will be informed of their appointment to a class shortly before the date fixed for its assembling. Extension of leave will not be granted to enable an officer to undergo instruction or to complete a course.

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3. The garrison courses are intended to prepare officers for passing in subjects (c) and (d) as specified in the Queen's Regulations, section IX, sub-section III. These are the equivalent of Part II of the examination prescribed in Article 331 of Indian Army Regulations, Vol. II. An officer on leave who has not passed Part I can only be admitted to a garrison course and to the examination in Part II on the understanding that he will pass Part I within six months of his return to his appointment in India; failing which he will be required to pass Part II again. An officer who passes in Military Law while in England is required to pass a supplementary examination in the Indian Articles of War and Indian Military Law on his return to India.

4. The daily rates of lodging allowance, when quarters are not provided, are as follows:—

For a field officer	...	...	8s.
„ Captain	...	...	6s.
„ Subaltern	...	...	4s.

To enable an officer to receive this allowance, he must send to the India Office, on completing the course, his certificate of qualification (which will be returned), and also a certificate signed by competent authority, showing that he was not provided with quarters, and stating the dates from and to which he was under instruction.

No travelling or other allowances are granted.

5. Any application for permission to go through a course of instruction in gymnastics or fencing and single stick practice at a military gymnasium, or to attend a riding class, or any class of instruction not specified in this memorandum, will be specially con-

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sidered, but no lodging allowance will be granted in respect of any such course.

6. On joining a class of instruction an officer must take his uniform with him.

7. Officers of the Indian Staff Corps are not admitted to classes of musketry instruction at Hythe, nor to signalling courses at Aldershot.

8. Special attention is directed to G. O. C. C., page 26* of 1887, which is reproduced below:—

“As great inconvenience and unnecessary trouble has been caused by officers of the Indian Army on furlough in England withdrawing from classes of instruction which they have applied for permission to join, and to which after correspondence between the India Office and the War Office, they have been duly appointed, it is notified that those who have received permission to join schools or classes of instruction in England, will not, except under very special circumstances, be allowed to withdraw their names.”

Para. 1529, as inserted by G.O. 15† of 1892, is re-constructed as follows:—

No non-commissioned officer or soldier proceeding to his home on discharge should be granted a pass to carry a rifle, but he may be permitted to take a gun, pistol, sword, or knife. Should his home be situated within the limits of British India, he must on arrival at his destination, apply to the Magistrate for a license for each weapon in his possession.

* G.O.C. No. 61 of 1887, page 33.

† S.G.O. No. 16 of 1892, page 59.

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Para. 1885-A.— In the list of libraries in the Bombay Presidency, *expunge* “32, Infantry, Deesa” added by G. O. 49* of 1893.

Para. 2580.—Under heading “yearly” *expunge* estimate “of cost of watering houses”† and all entries against it.

† Misprint for horses.

Para. 2860 is cancelled and the following substituted:—

“2860. Before an order is given to fire on a mob the Officer Commanding shall give such warning as, in his opinion, the circumstances permit, and is in his power to communicate, or have communicated, to the mob. If firing should unfortunately be found necessary, and the Commanding Officer should be of opinion that a slight effort would suffice to attain the object, he is to give the word of command to one or two specified files to fire. If a greater effort be required, he is to give the word of command to fire to as many files of the detachment as he considers necessary. Firing is to cease the instant it is no longer necessary. Care is to be taken not to fire on persons separated from the unlawful assembly. It is to be observed that to fire over the heads of a crowd engaged in an illegal pursuit, would tend to favor the most daring and guilty, while sacrificing the less daring and even the innocent.

* S.G.O. 49 of 1893.

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(Quarter Master General.)

Transport Regulations.—The following alterations are made in Army Regulations, India, Volume X:—

PART I.

Insert as paragraph 399-A:—

“399-A. Free passage is also allowed to parents or guardians when proceeding to place children at those institutions in the first instance only, and when returning therefrom.”

PART II.

Para. 10.—For the words “medical authority” in sixth line, *substitute* “District Principal Medical Officers.”

Para. 357.—“footnote (2). For the fullstop at the end *substitute* a comma, and *add*, “or to their homes on being pensioned.”

Para. 519-D.—For the words (“except in the Assam District, where actual expenses are passed”) against the entry “Deputy assistant adjutant-general for musketry,” *substitute* “(except in the Assam District, see paragraph 519-E).”

Insert as new para. 519-E:—

“519-E. A Deputy Assistant Adjutant General for Musketry, or an Inspector or Assistant Inspector of Army Signalling, receives travelling expenses when moving on inspection duty in the Assam District as follows:—

When marching.—Actual expenses incurred, within the limit of the cost of hiring a pony for his own

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conveyance, and two coolies for baggage, but not in any case to exceed 12 annas a mile in all.

When moving by road or by any other means.—Actual expenses incurred, subject to the restrictions imposed by regulation as to nature of conveyance, amount of accommodation, weight of baggage, etc.

In lieu of the foregoing, a Deputy Assistant Adjutant General for Musketry may, at his option, draw his usual mileage rate of eight annas a mile."

Para. 669.—For the fullstop in the third line *substitute* a comma, and *add*, "or to his home on being pensioned."

No. 74.

Arms—Ammunition. Army Orders, Nos. 134 and 148, dated 1st September and 1st October 1894, respectively, are republished for information and guidance:—

A. O. 134.—Ammunition for rifles, magazine Lee-Metford, Mark II.

Ball cartridges charged with *black powder* will not be used with mark II. Lee-Metford magazine rifles.

A. O. 148.—Ammunition for Martini-Metford carbines.

Referring to Army Order 134 of 1894, the prohibition of the use of ball cartridges charged with *black powder* is extended to Martini-Metford carbines, cavalry and artillery.

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No. 75.

Books—Forms.—1. The following have been introduced:—

India Army Form 411.—"Statement as to character and particulars of prisoner," issued "gratis," "as required."

Officers Commanding Native regiments, when submitting applications for trial by Court-Martial, will substitute "*India Army Form 411*" for the words "*Army Form B-296*" in clause 5 of *Army Form B-116*.

India Army Form 412.—"Report on the examination of a candidate for promotion in subject (b), practical and *vivâ voce* portion." The form will be issued "gratis" to General Officers Commanding Districts, on indent, "as required."

2. The following have been revised:—

Army Form C-316.—Examination paper for third class certificates of education, No. III, "Arithmetic"—will be taken into use when the present stock is exhausted.

Army Form C-322.—"Monthly School Report on Infant and Sewing School"—will be taken into use when the stock in hand is exhausted.

Army Book 79.—"School Register of attendance for children."—will be taken into use when the present stock is exhausted.

3. The following have been cancelled:—

Army Form G-919.—"History Sheet, Meko-meter."

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Army Form G-849.—"History Sheet, Depression Range-finder."

India Army Form 90.—"Death report of a horse."

India Army Form 132-A.—"Statement to accompany India Army Form 132."

*In India Army Form 225.**—"List of Forms, etc.," in fourth column—"Battery Royal Horse Artillery, and Royal Artillery," against Army Form B-86—for "6" substitute "12."

* M. M. Form 392.

By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

ELPHINSTONE BEGBIE, Colonel,
Officiating Adjutant General.

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HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

*Adjutant General's Office, Ootacamund,
Friday, 22nd February 1895.*

No. 5.—The following General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India are republished:—

1st January 1895.

No. 1.

Books—Regulations.—The following corrections are made in Army Regulations, India, Vol. II, "Discipline":—

Para. 34 is reconstructed as follows:—

34. The following will be the order of parade on the occasions of—

- (i) the celebration of Her Majesty's birthday;
- (ii) the anniversary of the proclamation of Her Majesty's assumption on the 1st January 1877 of the title of "Empress of India."

The troops will be drawn up in line; bayonets will not be fixed. Artillery in action on the right, or, if more than one battery is present, on both flanks.

When the General or other Commanding Officer arrives on the ground, Artillery (not in action) and Cavalry will carry swords, and Infantry will shoulder by order of their respective Commanding Officers.

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The General or other Commanding Officer will then take command of the parade, and give the words "The Division, Brigade, *etc.*, will fire a feu-de-joie," on which ranks will be opened, Mounted Officers of Infantry battalions remaining in rear of the line, and the Staff of Infantry brigades will move to the rear and take position behind the centre of their brigades. The Officer Commanding the parade and his staff, when other arms are also represented, remaining in his position in front of the line.

On the caution "Fire a feu-de-joie," Artillery, not in action, and Cavalry will slope swords.

On a signal from the General or other Commanding Officer, the Royal Standard will be hoisted and the Artillery will fire :—

Eleven guns before the first round, and ten guns before each of the other two rounds of the "feu-de-joie."

The executive words of command for the "feu-de-joie," *viz.*, "Ready" and "Present," will be given by Regimental Commanding Officers. The time will be taken from the right, the Officer Commanding the right Infantry battalion giving the words "Ready," "Present," in sufficient time to admit of the Infantry commencing immediately after the 11th and 10th guns respectively.

The word "Commence" will be given by the Officer Commanding the right Infantry battalion.

The bands of the Infantry, massed in rear of the brigade, will play the first part of the National Anthem after the first round, the second part after the second round, and the whole Anthem after the

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hird round of the "feu-de-joie." Rifles will be kept at the "Present" after each round till the music has ceased.

The words of command "Cease Fire," "Order Arms" will be given by Regimental Commanding Officers, when mounted Officers will move to their places in front of the line.

The Artillery, in action, will then limber up and move into line at order with the brigade.

The General or other Commanding Officer will then give the following cautions:—

"Fix bayonets," "Royal Salute."

Cavalry and Artillery will carry swords, Infantry will present arms, standards and colors will be lowered and the bands will play the whole of the National Anthem.

"The brigade will shoulder."

"The brigade will order."

Artillery and Cavalry "Return swords."

The brigade will give "three cheers for Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress of India." At this caution all helmets will be taken off, and the Officer Commanding the parade will give the time.

The brigade will then unfix bayonets, take close order, march past once in quick time, if ordered, and proceed direct to quarters; the day being observed as a holiday.

On the above occasions the General or other Commanding Officer is not received with a salute and

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does not pass down the line, but moves to his post, as laid down in Section 192, Part IX, Infantry Drill, 1893, to take part in the Royal Salute.

No person present is entitled to stand at the flag staff, which should be enclosed on three sides with a rope enclosure, during the parade, or receive the Royal Salute. The march past, if ordered, will not form part of the parade in honor of Her Majesty.

Para. 204 (b).—In line 3 after “platforms, embrasures, etc.” add “and will give in a tabular form, if possible, a statement of armament and mountings including machine guns actually in possession, detailing any changes during the past 12 months.”

Para. 204 (b).—In line 11 erase the words “Details of armament.”

Para. 204, clause (g).—Under “In Burma” delete “Mandalay (Fort Dufferin).”

Para. 204-D.—Under “In Burma” after “Tounghoo” add “Mandalay (Fort Dufferin).”

Add the following para. :—

“348-A. In the event of Officers Commanding Stations being called upon to provide military persons to serve on juries, no Warrant or Non-Commissioned Officer or man is to be detailed for the purpose.”

Para. 1300.—After the word “Army” in line 2 add “and the Staff College Regulations issued with War Office Army Orders.”

Para. 1302.—Substitute “15th March and 15th April” for “1st January and 1st February.”

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Para. 1304.—Expunge the words “para. 2” in line 4.

*Para. 1305.—*The addition made to this paragraph by G. O. No. 9* of 1889 is cancelled.

Para. 1307 is cancelled.

Para. 1336, as corrected by G. O. No. 44† of 1891.—Dele from “Applications” to “1st October” and *substitute—*

“Applications for permission to attend the courses should be sent direct by General Officers Commanding Districts to the Office of the Adjutant General, Bombay Army, not later than 1st April and 1st October.”

After para. 1493-A. *add* the following new para.:—

*Para. 1493-B.—*The following is the universal pattern white hot weather uniform for all regimental Warrant Officers, British Non-Commissioned Officers and men:—

Plain white drill trousers and a plain white drill jacket, same shape as the Infantry scarlet serge frock. Five small regulation buttons down the front. One inside breast pocket. Highland regiments may however retain their present coats of Highland pattern as well as their trews. Shoulder-straps of the same material as the coat (in Royal Horse Artillery, Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers and Cavalry braid shoulder cords of regimental pattern) fastened at the top by a small button. Abbreviated regimental titles in brass letters will be worn on the shoulder-straps of Infantry regiments.

Chevrons or badges of rank will be worn in accordance with regulations.

* S.G.O. No. 16 of 1889, page 31.

† S.G.O. No. 44 of 1891, page 148.

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Departmental Non-Commissioned Officers and men will wear brass distinctive letters on the shoulder-straps as laid down for Warrant Officers in Army Regulations, India, Vol. VII, Section XXIII.

Paras. 1493-B. and 1493-C. to be runumbered respectively 1493-C. and 1493-D.

Para. 1677.—Expunge second sentence commencing "The papers mentioned," to end of paragraph.

Para. 2228.—Dele "Sappers and Miners 5'—5'" and *insert* "Sappers and Pioneer Corps 5'—4'."

Para. 2230.—The first clause is reconstructed as follows:—

Men of 5 feet 4 inches are permitted to be enlisted for Infantry and of 5 feet 3 inches for Sappers and Pioneer corps, provided they are of exceptionally good physique or expert tradesmen. Men of 5 feet 3 inches can be enlisted as regimental lascars, if suitable in every respect for their work. This permission is not to be received as lowering the standard, but as an exception in favor only of individuals in other respects eligible.

It is to be understood that the discharge of men thus enlisted and finally approved will not be thereafter sanctioned on account of their being *undersized*.

Para. 2253, second clause in line 3. Dele "32 inches" and *insert* the following:—

"33 inches for Sappers and Pioneer corps and 32 inches for other arms."

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Above para. 2577 *add* the following:—

“OCCASIONALLY.”

Extract from Monthly Return (Army Form B. 105), British Cavalry and Infantry only.	Officer in charge, Adjutant General's Office, Fort William.	1st of each month during the time the Camp Office of the Adjutant General's Department, Army Head-Quarters, is open at Calcutta.	India Army Form 413.
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Above para. 2579 *add* the following:—

“OCCASIONALLY.”

Extract from Monthly Return (India Army Form 234).	Officer in charge, Adjutant General's Office, Fort William.	1st of each month during the time the Camp Office of the Adjutant General's Department, Army Head-Quarters, is open at Calcutta.	India Army Form 414.
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Para. 2580.—Under heading “Yearly” *expunge* the entry—

“Statement of soldier's kit-boxes likely to become unserviceable during the ensuing year.”

Para. 2592.—In item 10, *eliminate* “Register of good-conduct pay.”

Para. 2605.—In heading and margin, *eliminate* “Register of good-conduct pay.”

No. 2.

Clothing—Dress.—The following corrections and additions are made to Army Regulations, India, Vol. VII, “Dress”:—

Page 5.—*Expunge* from “In the Bengal, etc.,” in line 21 to “lining” in line 29, and *substitute* “as laid down for Infantry of the line, in Horse Guards Dress Regulations, 1894.”

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Page 76.—After line 31 insert new paragraph:—

Forage Cap.—Red cloth in 1st Lancers and green in all other cavalry regiments, shaped as for Hussars; gold zigzag lace band $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch broad, soft gold purl button and braided figure of regimental pattern on the crown, and a line of gold tracing braid round the crown seam.

Lancer regiments will have, instead of the braided ornament, two lines of tracing braid crossing the top at right angles, and terminating under the lace band."

Line 32.—*Dele* the word "Forage."

Page 111.—Uniform of the officers of the 24th and 26th (Baluchistan) regiments.

Bridle.—*Expunge* "silver" and *substitute* "gilt."

No. 3.

Books—Regulations.—The following corrections are made to Army Regulations, India, Volume VIII, "Veterinary":—

Para. 295 (a) added by G. O. 57* and amended by G. O. 107† of 1890.

Delete "Mountain" from 7th line and *insert* the following as 8th line—

"Mountain Batteries ... 2 each."

Appendix IV revised by G. O. 10‡ and corrected by G. O. 60§ of 1889, item "Chests (Medicines)" heading "Mountain Battery" for "one pair (Nos. 1 and 2)" *substitute* "2 chests No. 1."

* S.G.O. No. 46 of 1890, page 140. † S.G.O. No. 77 of 1890, page 226.

‡ S.G.O. No. 16 of 1889, pages 39 to 42.

§ S.G.O. No. 42 of 1889, pages 149 and 150.

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No. 4.

(Quarter Master General.)

• **Transport Regulations.**—The following alterations are made in Army Regulations, Volume X:—

PART I.

Para. 43-A.—Clause (i) is *reconstructed* as below:—

• “(i). an officer of the *British* service returning home on expiration of a tour of service in the appointment of Brigadier-General Commanding a 2nd Class District, or of Adjutant General or Quarter Master General in India, Madras or Bombay, or Inspector General of Artillery or Cavalry in India, although reverting to the rank of Colonel on the expiration of his tenure of appointment.”

Para. 58 is cancelled.

Para. 59 is reconstructed as under:—

“59. Schoolmistresses and their children are entitled to 2nd class accommodation and messing. Their husbands, if non-commissioned officers, or privates, will, however, be accommodated and messed in their own class, irrespective of the quarters allotted to the families.”

Add as Para. 88-A.

“88-A. Schoolmistresses and their children are entitled to second class accommodation and messing. Their husbands, if non-commissioned officers, or privates, will, however, be accommodated and messed in their own class, irrespective of the quarters allotted to the families.”

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PART II.

Para. 251.—Add the following to the certificate :

- “Also that the weight of camp equipage of commissioned, warrant, and native officers entered, includes tents and their component parts only, and not camp furniture, etc.”

- *Para. 326, page 82.* In the column “Miscellaneous stores” opposite the entries

“Battery of Royal Artillery	}	Horse and field, Garrison, Mountain”
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 and “Battery of Native Mountain Artillery” insert “(f),” and add a corresponding note at foot of page after “(e)” —

“(f).—Office records are conveyed at the expense of the State when the battery or company is moving temporarily, or in relief.”

To the note at foot of this page “Regimental officers drawing, etc.,”—affix the word “Note” in italics.

Para. 379 is reconstructed as follows:—

“379. An officer landing in India, and proceeding, at the public expense, to join his regiment or appointment where his duties require him to be mounted, is entitled to free conveyance for the regulation number of chargers, whether imported, purchased at port of embarkation, or *en-route*. On arrival at destination, a certificate that the horses so conveyed have been passed as chargers will be forwarded to the Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, through the General Officer Commanding the District. Failing this, the amount will be recovered from the officer concerned.”

“(The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to officers appointed probationers for the Staff Corps from regiments serving out of India).”

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Para. 501. Notes 1 to 3 on page 121 are *canceled*, and the following *substituted* :—

“1. All troops, etc., proceeding to Deolali or Bombay from stations north of Allahabad, and *vice versa* will travel by the Indian Midland Railway, *via* Jhansi.”

Insert as para. 691-A :—

“691-A. Free passage is allowed to native officers or non-commissioned officers of Bengal Cavalry proceeding to the Allahabad grass farm for a course of instruction, and when returning therefrom.”

Page 186.—Insert a fresh note “(g)” as follows :—

“(g). Office records of batteries of Royal Artillery are conveyed at the expense of the State.”

Page 194.—Insert a fresh para. after “Regimental stores” as follows :—

“Office Records. Battery office records are conveyed at the expense of the State.”

Page 198.—Insert a fresh para. after “Regimental necessities” as follows :—

“Office Records. Battery office records are conveyed at the expense of the State.”

Appendix XXII, page 252. Para. 10 is reconstructed as follows :—

“10. *To Assam.*—Officers and troops proceeding to stations in Assam (other than Silchar) from stations north of Luckeesarai, proceed *via* Sahibganj, Manihari, and Parbatipur to Jutrapur on Warrant

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Form C. (India Army Form No. 211). From stations on the Bengal and North-Western Railway (excluding the Tirhoot section), *officers* travel *via* Sahibganj, Manihari, and Parbatipur, *troops via* Sonapore, Kanwa Ghât, and Parbatipur. From stations on the Tirhoot section, *officers* and *troops* proceed *via* Kanwa Ghât and Parbatipur. From Jutrapur to destination all travel on India Army Form No. 129, which should be issued on the Station Master, Rivers Steam Navigation Company, Limited, at Jutrapur.

Officers and troops from stations south of Luckeesarai proceed *via* Naihati Junction, Damukdia Ghât, and Parbatipur to Jutrapur. Those for Silchar should be booked through to Goalundo *via* Naihati Junction, and thence to destination on a separate warrant (India Army Form No. 129) to be issued on the Station Master at Goalundo."

From Assam.—Officers and troops proceeding from stations in Assam (excluding Silchar) should be furnished with steamer warrants at Jutrapur, thence to destination on Warrant Form C. *via* Manihari and Sahibganj, or *via* Parbatipur, Damukdia Ghât, and Naihati Junction, according as they are proceeding north or south of Luckeesarai. *Officers* proceeding to stations on the Bengal and North-Western Railway travel *via* Manihari and Sahibganj, *troops via* Kanwa Ghât and Sonapore. To stations on the Tirhoot section, all are booked *via* Kanwa Ghât.

Officers and troops from Silchar should be furnished with steamer warrants to Goalundo, thence to destination on Warrant Form C. *via* Naihati Junction.

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Horses, mules, bullocks, etc., for all stations in Assam should be sent *viâ* Naihati Junction and Goalundo, and *vice versâ*."

Para. 12 is reconstructed as follows:—

"12. Officers and troops proceeding to or from Darjeeling, travel to Parbatipur by the routes laid down in para. 10, thence by rail to Ghoom.

Convalescents from stations north of Luckeesarai should be despatched in communication with the General Officer Commanding Presidency District, who, if he considers necessary, will despatch them *viâ* Naihati Junction, instead of by the Sahibganj route."

No. 6.

Books—Forms.—

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2. The following have been revised:—

Army Form C-314. "Yearly Inspection Report on Infant and Sewing Schools." Will be taken into use when the present stock is exhausted.

India Army Form 188. "Annual Report on British Army Schools. Will be taken into use at once by Inspectors of Army Schools, the old forms in stock being destroyed.

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By order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

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STANDING GENERAL ORDERS
BY
HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

*Adjutant General's Office, Ootacamund,
Friday, 1st March 1895.*

No. 6.—Books—Forms.—The following has been introduced:—

India Army Form 119. “Annual Sanitary reports on Stations.” Issued gratis to those stations where a Cantonment Fund does not exist.

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Officiating Adjutant General.

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*Adjutant General's Office, Ootacamund,
Friday, 8th March 1895.*

No. 7.—Volunteers.—The Government of India has approved of the procedure given in the following table being adopted, from the 1st April 1895, for the disposal of correspondence connected with Volunteer Corps:—

Subject of correspondence.	PROCEDURE.
	Applicable to all Volunteer Corps in India.
Appointments, promotions, resignations and retirements of substantive commissioned officers of the Active Volunteer Force (excluding Commandants).	Will be forwarded through General Officers Commanding Districts, and Lieutenant-Generals Commanding to the Local* Government for disposal. The latter will complete the appointments, promotions, etc., and will send to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, the commissions of officers for His Excellency the Viceroy's signature, together with the draft General Order making the appointments, promotions, etc., for publication in the <i>Gazette of India</i> .

* In the case of East Indian Railway Volunteer Corps, the Lieutenant-General of the Bengal Command will act as Local Government.

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Subject of correspondence.	PROCEDURE.
	Applicable to all Volunteer Corps in India.
Appointments, promotions, resignations and retirements of honorary officers and of substantive commissioned officers of the Volunteer Reserve Force.	Will be forwarded through General Officers Commanding Districts and Lieutenant-Generals Commanding to the Local* Government for disposal.
Appointment of Commandants of Volunteer Corps.	To be recommended by Local* Governments for the approval of His Excellency the Governor-General in Council. The concurrence of the Commander-in-Chief to be obtained before approval by the Governor-General in Council. Appointment of Commandant, Presidency Volunteers, to be made by His Excellency the Viceroy.
Commissions of Volunteer Officers (substantive and honorary) of the Active Volunteer Force.	To be issued by His Excellency the Viceroy, the commissions being prepared and sent up by the Local* Government concerned for His Excellency's signature.
Commissions of Volunteer Officers (substantive and honorary) of Reserve Force.	Issued by Local Governments.
Transfers of officers (substantive and honorary) of the Active or Reserve Volunteer Forces from one corps to another, or to the Supernumerary and Unattached Lists.	Will be sent through General Officers Commanding Districts and Lieutenant-Generals Commanding to Local* Government for disposal. Transfers between corps under the different Governments will be arranged between those Governments.
Leave to Volunteer Officers (except Adjutants) and acting appointments resulting therefrom.	Short leave is granted by the Commanding Officer; applications for lengthened leave are submitted through General Officers Commanding Districts to the Local* Government for disposal. Acting appointments are made by Local† Governments.

* In the case of East Indian Railway Volunteer Corps, the Lieutenant-General of the Bengal Command will act as Local Government.

† In the case of the East Indian Railway Volunteers, by the Lieutenant-General, Bengal Command.

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S. G. O. 7—contd.

Subject of correspondence.	PROCEDURE.
	Applicable to all Volunteer Corps in India.
Applications for appointment as Volunteer Adjutants.	To be submitted through General Officers Commanding Districts and Lieutenant-Generals to Local† Governments.
Appointment of Military Adjutants to Volunteer Corps.	To be appointed by Local† Governments in communication with Lieutenant-Generals Commanding.
Leave and transfers of Military Adjutants of Volunteer Corps.	To be arranged by Lieutenant-Generals Commanding in communication with Local* Governments.
Applications for increase of establishment of corps.	
Ditto enrolment of supernumeraries.	To be submitted through General Officers Commanding Districts and Lieutenant-Generals Commanding to Local* Governments, who will refer to the Government of India when necessary.
Ditto assemblies for prize shooting of two or more corps.	
Ditto changes of uniform.	
Questions connected with the provision of Volunteer buildings.	
Questions of discipline, drill, Musketry training, reviews, stores, camps, sergeant-instructors, ranges, etc.	To be submitted through General Officers Commanding Districts to the Lieutenant-General Commanding for disposal. The latter will refer to the Government of India or the Commander-in-Chief when necessary. In the case of corps† not under the Commander-in-Chief, the proposals will be sent through the General Officer Commanding to the Local Government for disposal, the latter referring to the Government of India, if necessary.

* In the case of East Indian Railway Volunteer Corps, the Lieutenant-General of the Bengal Command will act as Local Government.

† In the case of the East Indian Railway Volunteers, by the Lieutenant-General, Bengal Command.

‡ The only corps not under the Commander-in-Chief are two in the Central Provinces, which are entirely under the local administration, and one in Hyderabad, and one in Berar, both under the Resident, Hyderabad.

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Subject of correspondence.	PROCEDURE.
Inspection reports and returns.	Applicable to all Volunteer Corps in India.
Applications for the Volunteer Officers' Decoration.	To be disposed of by Lieutenant-Generals Commanding in communication with Local Governments. The Lieutenant-Generals will submit, for information of the Commander-in-Chief and Government of India, an annual statement, showing briefly the strength and efficiency of the Volunteer Corps in their command. To be submitted through General Officer Commanding District, Lieutenant-General and Local Government* to the Government of India, Military Department.

* In the case of East Indian Railway Volunteer Corps, the Lieutenant-General of the Bengal Command will act as Local Government.

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Head Quarters, Ootacamund,

Friday, 29th March 1895.

No. 8.—Judicial.—The Government of India has intimated that the term “Soldiers” used in Military Department letter No. 1205-C of 23rd June 1893, (a) includes regimental warrant officers, and all regimental non-commissioned officers and private soldiers, both British and Native.

[(a) S. G. O. No. 32 of 1893.]

No. 9.—The following General Orders by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India are republished:—

1st February 1895.

No. 7.

Books—Regulations.—The following corrections are made in Army Regulations, India, Vol. II, “Discipline”:—

Para. 72.—In last two lines erase the words “which will be granted under clause (e), paragraph 119.”

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Add as paragraph 81-A.

81-A. The following are the rules for the grant of leave to officers appointed under the foregoing regulations :—

I. While an officer is attached to a British regiment he can only be granted privilege leave, or leave on medical certificate, which will be granted under the rules applicable to officers of British regiments except that leave on medical certificate will reckon against service for promotion (see paragraphs 72 and 74). Any leave, except privilege leave, granted under this paragraph by General Officers Commanding will be reported to the Adjutant General.

II. After appointment to a native regiment an officer is eligible for leave as any other officer of the Staff Corps, subject to the restriction in clause III, but until he has qualified for promotion to Lieutenant, he cannot be granted leave of any description (except privilege leave) without forfeiture of service for promotion (see paragraph 74).

III. An officer cannot be granted leave of any description that will extend beyond the date on which he must fully qualify for the Staff Corps, unless he has passed all the necessary examinations (paragraph 76). In the case of an officer recommended for leave on medical certificate that will take him beyond this date, leave will be granted up to that date only, and should he not be able to rejoin on the expiration of this leave, his case will be submitted for the orders of the Government of India in view to his removal from the service, or the grant of an extension of the period within which he must qualify (paragraph 77).

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IV. An officer entitled to privilege leave may, under the same rules as other officers, proceed anywhere on such leave, provided he can return within the period of his leave.

Add as paragraph 104-A.

104-A. The following are the rules for the grant of leave to officers appointed under paragraphs 83 and 96 :—

I. A probationer for the Staff Corps is not to be granted general leave during the first ten months of his service with a native regiment, except on medical certificate, *very urgent* private affairs, or to study the native languages.

II. If a probationer obtains leave (other than privilege leave) out of India, either on private affairs or for more than six months on medical certificate, he will be held to have resigned his probationary appointment.

III. A probationer who is entitled to privilege leave may, under the same rules as other officers, proceed anywhere on such leave, provided he can return within the period of his leave.

IV. Probationers requiring leave to England on account of ill-health will be permitted by the Government of India, Madras or Bombay as the case may be, to proceed to England on medical certificate on receipt of the usual application for leave with a copy of the medical Board proceedings and a statement of service. On arrival in England they will be examined by a Medical Board and granted leave, or replaced at the disposal of His Royal Highness the Commander-in-Chief according to the Board's

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Report. In emergent cases, however, and on the recommendation of the Medical Board, the General Officer Commanding may permit probationers to proceed out of India in anticipation of sanction; but in such cases a telegraphic report of the action taken should be immediately made to the Adjutant General's Office. In cases in which it is considered necessary that a probationer should proceed on leave elsewhere than to England, the Medical Board will record in the proceedings the duration (in months) of the leave for which the officer is recommended.

V. A probationer cannot be granted leave of any description, in or out of India, that will extend beyond the date on which he must be admitted to, or qualify for, the Staff Corps (paragraphs 93, 94, 102 and 103). In the case of an officer being recommended for leave on medical certificate elsewhere than to England that will take him beyond this date, leave will be granted up to that date only; and should he not be able to rejoin on the expiration of his leave, his case will be submitted for the orders of the Government of India, in view to his remand to his British regiment, or removal from the service, or the grant of an extension of the period within which he must qualify.

Para. 107.—For the figure “119” in line 9 read “104-A” and omit from the word “paragraphs” in same line to end of paragraph.

Para. 119 is cancelled.

Para. 155-A. (as added by G. O. 17^o of 1893).—*Eapunge* the third sentence from the word “When”

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to the word "address" and *insert* "When transmitted by post, such rolls or correspondence will be placed in two covers, the inner one sealed and marked confidential, the outer cover bearing the usual official address, *vide* paragraph 2474-A."

Add the following as paragraph 445-A :—

445-A. When a report of a soldier's confession to irregular enlistment is made to the Adjutant General's office it should be invariably accompanied by a recommendation of the Officer Commanding the man's Corps and of the General Officer Commanding the District as to whether he should be brought to trial, or trial be dispensed with.

Para. 1885-A. (revised section XV).—In the list of Government libraries for Bengal, *insert* 99—Standing Camp, Kailana.

Para. 2700.—*Expunge* item No. "13—Sanskrit," and entry opposite.

Para. 2701 (d).—*Expunge* the words "in Sanskrit the colloquial portion must be omitted."

Para. 2704 Line 3, *expunge* the words "and Sanskrit;" line 4, *expunge* the words "In Madras Sanskrit,-Madras only;" line 5 *expunge* the words "and Sanskrit."

Para. 2707 (a).—*Expunge* "Sanskrit" and the entries opposite.

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Para. 2707 (b).—Dele the comma after “languages” and expunge the words “except Sanskrit.”

Para. 2707 (e).—Expunge the words “(except in Sanskrit).”

Para. 2707 II, (a).—Expunge “Sanskrit” and the subjects given opposite to it.

Para. 2707 II, (d).—Expunge the words “except Sanskrit” in the 2nd line.

Para. 2707 II, (g).—Expunge the words “(except in Sanskrit).”

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(Qr. Mr. Genl.)

Transport Regulations.—The following alterations are made in Army Regulations, India, Volume X, Part II :—

Para. 96, clause (c).—After the words “in lieu” in seventh line, insert a fresh sentence as follows :—

“When cart carriage can only be procured with difficulty, it will be supplied for that portion of the baggage which the indenting officer certifies as being unsuited for pack transport, the balance being made up by the equivalent in camels, or such other kind of transport as is available.”

Appendix V, Section D, page 202.—In the third line of clause II for the words “taken up” substitute “engaged by the civil authorities.”

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No. 11.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.—The following corrections and additions are made to G.O. 57^a of 1894:—

Para. 17 (e).—*Expunge* the words “both” and “and the witnesses” in lines 3 and 4.

Add as paragraph 24:—

In the case of a person married immediately on arriving in India the place of residence in column 6 of Army Form A-43 should be shown as Bombay, &c., as the case may be, as there is no object in referring to the previous English residence.

No. 12.

Books—Forms.—1. The following has been introduced:—

Army Form B-154.—“Report of fraudulent or irregularly enlisted men,” to be used in place of Army Form B-90, which has been cancelled; supplied “gratis” at six copies per annum per Battery of Royal Artillery, Corps of Sappers and Miners and Submarine Mining Company, and twelve copies per regiment and battalion of British Cavalry and Infantry.

2. The following has been revised:—

India Army Form 144.—“Musketry Progress Report (Native Army), to be rendered quarterly, on or before the 4th April, July, October and January.

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3. India Army Form 225,* “List of Forms, &c.” :—

Against India Army Form 144, for “50,” in column headed Native Cavalry, Native Infantry and Sappers and Miners, *read* “20.”

No. 13.

Erratum.—The following correction is made to G. O. No. 11† of 1889, page 33, Statements I and II :—

For—

“Sleepers, 9" × 9" × 4½"

Read—

“Sleepers, 9' × 9" × 4½."

* M. M. Form 392.

† S.G.O. No. 16 of 1889, page 46.

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