

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday the Sixth day of February, 1812, and continued by several Prorogations to Thursday the Tenth day of February, 1814, in the Fifty-fourth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Fourth Session of the Tenth General Assembly, convened in the said Province. From Henry H. Cogswell, The Statutes at Large passed in the General Assembly held in His Majesty's Province of Nova Scotia: from the Sixth Session of the Eighth General Assembly, to the Fifty-Sixth year of his Majesty's Reign. John Howe and Son, 1816.

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An Act to continue the several Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, now in force, relating to a Militia, and in further amendment of the same.

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that the act, passed in the forty-eighth year of His Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act to provide for the greater security of the Province by a better regulation of the Militia, and to repeal the Militia Laws now in force;" and also the several acts made in the forty-ninth and fifty-third years of His Majesty's reign, for altering, continuing and amending, the said act, and the further amendments thereto, herein after mentioned, shall be continued, and the same are hereby continued in force, until the eighteenth day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, and thence to the end of the next session of the general assembly.

And whereas, in and by the thirty-eighth section of the act first mentioned, the colonels or other officers commanding regiments or battalions, and captains, or officers commanding companies, are required to make returns of the strength of their regiments and companies, but no penalty is imposed upon such as neglect to comply with the directions therein contained:

II. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that if any colonel, or other officer commanding a regiment or battalion, shall neglect to make the return in the said section directed, he shall, for every such neglect, forfeit and pay a fine of twenty pounds.

And if any captain or other officer commanding a company, shall neglect to make the return in the said section directed, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of five pounds for every such neglect.

III. And be it further enacted, that if any officer shall remove out of the limits within which the regiment or battalion to which he belongs is comprised, and shall not perform any militia duty in the said regiment or battalion for the space of one year, he shall, upon his return, be considered and held to be the junior officer of his rank.

IV. And be it further enacted, that all supernumerary militia officers who shall be resident within the district or limits of any battalion of militia, and are not attached to the same by any regimental order, or shall not do duty therein, shall be liable to the payment of the same sum per day for each and every day's muster or training, as persons exempt from duty are liable to by the twenty-first section of the militia act, passed in the fifty-third year of His Majesty's reign, of which this is an amendment, except such supernumerary militia officers shall be excused by the commander in chief of the militia of this province.