

Instructions directed by the Governor and Councill Liber H. H.
to the seuerall Captaines of the respective trained
Bands to be sent with theyr respective Commissions

Instructions Trained
Bands

Imprimis that they cause a perfect list to be
taken of all persons able to beare Armes with-
in theyr respective divisions that is of all men betweene 16
and 60 yeares of Age which List they are to returne to the p. 23
Governor or Secretary with all convenient speed.

2 That out of that List they do select such persons to be of
theyr constant Trayned Band as they shall iudge fittest both
for theyr Ability of Body, Estate, & Courage in which Choice
they are not to take the Person of any of his Lordships Coun-
sellors of state nor Iustices of Peace.

3. That they take Care that theyr said Companys be duly
mustered once euey month, & for the more certaine & con-
stant performance of that duty that they do appoint sett times
and places for the next Muster before they depart from euey
meeteing to Trayne and Exercise.

4 That they take an exact vieue of euey mans Armes that
they be well fixed, & that they endeavour to make euey
householder provide himselfe speedyly with Armes & Ammu-
nicōn according to a former Act of Assembly viz 2^{ld} of powder
and 5^{ld} of shott & one good Gun well fixed for euey man able
to beare Armes in his house.

5 That they take speciall care that all persons by them
enlisted do make theyr constant personall appearance at euey
muster and that vnder the Paines & forfeitures of 100^{ld} of
Tob for the first default, of 200 for the second, & 300 for the
3^d default And if any person shall yett after such fine &
forfeitures imposed be further Negligent or refractory that
they certifye the Governor & Councill.

6 That they do not proceed rashly to impose a forfeiture
vpon any one but first see whether he can alleadge any lawe-
full impediment, in Judgeing of w^{ch} they are to take Care they
be not to remisse and Indulgent allways remembring the exact-
nesse of Military discipline to be the security of euey mans
particular welfare & place.

7 That after a fine or forfeiture imposed for default they
immediatly certify the Sherriffe who is by Order of the Coun-
cell to Leavy the same if refused to be payd, & that they do
employ the said Forfeiture to the purchaseing Drums &
Collours for the Company, & after such Provision made, to
make the Company Drinke at theyr meeteing to Muster, in
w^{ch} they are strictly charged as well to avoid all Excesse them-
selues as seuerely to punnish it in others of theyr Company
Committed to theyr charge.