

companies not of the battalion then present, shall give to the commissary of musters certificates of the musters signed by himself, signifying how long such officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers, who shall not appear at the said muster, have been absent, and the reason of their absence, which reason and the time of absence shall be inserted in the muster rolls, opposite to the respective names of such absentees; and the said certificate, together with the muster roll, shall be, by the said commissary, transmitted to the council of safety within twenty days next after such muster being taken, on failure whereof the commissary so offending shall be discharged from the service.

43. Every officer, who shall sign a false certificate relating to the absence of officers, or non-commissioned officers, or private soldiers, shall be cashiered.

44. Every officer who shall knowingly make a false muster of any man, and any officer or commissary, who shall sign, allow or return the muster rolls wherein such false muster is contained, knowing the falsity thereof, shall be cashiered, and forfeit all such pay as may be due to him at the time of his conviction of such offence.

45. Any commissary, who shall take any gift or gratuity on the false mustering of the said battalion or any company, or for signing any muster roll, shall be displaced, and forfeit his pay, as in the preceding article.

46. Any officer, who shall presume to muster any person as a soldier, who at other times is accustomed to wear a livery, or who does not actually do his duty as a soldier, shall be deemed guilty of having made a false muster, and suffer accordingly.

47. The commanding officer of every corps, or of any garrison in the service aforesaid, or at any station of any of the said forces, shall in the beginning of every month, transmit to the council of safety an exact return of the state of the troops under his command, specifying the names of the officers not then residing at their posts, and the reason for and time of their absence. And whoever shall, through neglect or design, omit sending such returns, shall be punished as may be adjudged.

48. No person shall be allowed to suttle at any camp or station, or to any party or detachment of the said forces, before he shall have obtained a license from the commanding officer thereof, and shall also have subscribed these rules.

49. No suttler shall be permitted to sell any kind of liquor, or victual, or keep his house or shop open, for the entertainment of soldiers, after nine o'clock at night, or before beating the reveilles,