Uniforms, &c., property of state.

19. The uniforms, arms and equipments so furnished, shall remain and continue to be the property of the state to be used for military purposes only, and shall be returned when called for by the adjutant general.

Officers to account for property,

20. Any officer receiving, under the provisions of this article, public property for military use, shall be accountable for the articles so received by him, and shall not be honorably discharged from the service until he has returned to the adjutant general a receipt from his successor in command, or a proper accounting officer, for the articles issued upon his requisition, in good order and condition, reasonable use and wear thereof excepted, or shown to the adjutant general, by satisfactory proof, that any article not so accounted for has been properly expended in the service, or defaced, injured, lost or destroyed, without any default or neglect on his part, and if lost or wilfully defaced or destroyed, through the misconduct of any person, that reasonable efforts have been made by him to recover or prosecute for the same, and, in addition, he shall be liable to make good to the state all such property so defaced, injured, destroyed or lost by any neglect or default on his part, and for the recovery of which he has made no reasonable effort, and it shall be the duty of the adjutant general to enter suit on the bond of said officer, in the name of the state of Maryland, for the value of such property so defaced, injured, destroyed or lost, and the officer succeeding in command of the company shall, before being commissioned, be required to file a bond, to be approved as hereinbefore required, for the safe keeping and return of all military property of the state in the possession of said company.

Suit on bond.

Arms, &c , deposited in armories. 21. All arms, equipments and military property of every description, which shall be furnished to the several companies under the provisions of this article, shall, when required by the commanding officer of the company, battery, battalion, squadron or regiment, be deposited in the armory of said company, battery, battalion, squadron or regiment, and the possession of any