

does not, without delay, give information thereof to his commanding or some superior officer, shall be punished according to the nature and degree of his offence.

7. Any officer or soldier who shall strike his superior officer, or draw, or offer to draw, or shall lift up any weapon, or offer any violence against him, being in the execution of his office, or shall disobey any lawful commands of his superior officer, shall suffer such punishment as shall be adjudged.

8. Any officer or soldier who shall desert to the enemy and afterwards be retaken, shall suffer death, or such other punishment as may be adjudged.

9. Any non-commissioned officer or soldier who shall desert, or without leave from his commanding officer absent himself from the company to which he belongs, or from any detachment of which he is one, shall be punished according to the nature of his offence.

10. Whatsoever officer or soldier shall be convicted of having advised or persuaded any other officer or soldier to desert, shall suffer such punishment as shall be adjudged.

11. All officers, of what condition soever, shall have power to part and quell all quarrels, frays, and disorders, and order offenders to be arrested and confined till their proper superior officer shall be acquainted therewith; and whosoever shall refuse to obey such officer, (though of an inferior rank) or shall draw his sword upon him, shall be punished according to the nature of his offence.

12. No officer or soldier shall use any reproachful or provoking speeches or gestures to another, nor shall presume to send a challenge to any person to fight a duel; and whosoever shall knowingly or willingly suffer any person whatsoever to go forth to fight a duel, or shall second, promote, or carry any challenge, shall be deemed a principal; and whatsoever officer or soldier shall upbraid another for refusing a challenge, shall also be considered as a challenger; and all such offenders, in any of these or such like cases, shall be punished according to the nature of his offence.

13. Any officer commanding in quarters, or on a march, shall keep good order, and to the utmost of his power redress all such abuses or disorders which may be committed by any officer or soldier under his command: if upon any complaint made to him of officers or soldiers beating, or otherwise ill treating any person, or of committing any kind of riot to the disquieting of the inhabitants, the said commander who shall refuse or omit to see justice done on the offender or offenders, and reparation made to the party or parties injured, as far as the offender's wages will enable him or them, shall, upon due proof thereof, be punished in such manner as if he himself had committed the crimes or disorders complained of.

14. If any officer or soldier should think himself wronged by his captain or commanding officer, and shall upon application to him be refused redress, he may complain to the colonel or commanding officer of the said battalion, to obtain justice, who is hereby required to examine into the said complaint, and see that justice be done.

15. Whatsoever non-commissioned officer or soldier shall sell, or designedly or through neglect waste the ammunition, arms, or other military stores or provisions delivered out to him to be used or employed in the service, shall, if an officer, be reduced to a private sentinel, and if a private soldier, shall suffer such punishment as shall be adjudged.

16. Any non-commissioned officer or soldier who shall be found one mile from his station or the camp, without leave in writing from his commanding officer, shall suffer such punishment as shall be adjudged.

17. No officer or soldier shall be out of his quarters or camp without leave from the commanding officer, upon penalty of being punished according to the nature of his offence.

18. Every non-commissioned officer and soldier shall repair to his quarters or tent at the beating of the retreat, in default of which he shall be punished according to the nature of his offence.

19. No officer, non-commissioned officer, or soldier, shall fail of repairing at the time fixed, to the place of parade or exercise, or other rendezvous appointed by the commanding officer, if not prevented by sickness or some other necessity, or shall go from the said place of rendezvous or from his guard, without leave from his commanding officer, before he shall be regularly dismissed or relieved, on penalty of being punished according to the nature of his offence.

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