

at the beating of the retreat; in default of which he shall be punished according to the nature of his offence, by order of the commanding Officer.

Art. 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 evident necessity; and 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, by the sentence of a regimental Court martial.

Art. 20. Whatsoever commissioned Officer shall be found drunk on his guard, party or other duty, under arms, shall be cashiered for it: any non commissioned Officer or Soldier so offending, shall suffer such punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a regimental Court martial.

Art. 21. Whatsoever centinel shall be found sleeping upon his post, or shall leave it before he shall be regularly relieved, shall suffer such punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a general Court martial.

Art. 22. Any person belonging to the Continental Army, who by discharging of fire arms beating of drums, or by any other means whatsoever, shall occasion false alarms, in Camp or quarters, shall suffer such punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a general Court martial.

Art. 23. Any Officer or Soldier who shall without urgent necessity, or without leave of his superior Officer, quit his platoon or division, shall be punished according to the nature of his offence, by the sentence of a regimental Court martial.

Art. 24. No Officer or Soldier shall do any violence, or offer any insult or abuse to any person who shall bring provisions or other necessaries to the Camp or quarters of the Continental Army; any Officer or Soldier so offending shall, upon complaint being made to the commanding Officer, suffer such punishment as shall be ordered by a regimental Court martial.

Art. 25. Whatsoever Officer or Soldier shall shamefully abandon any post committed to his charge or shall speak words inducing others to do the like in time of an engagement shall suffer death immediately.

Art. 26. Any person belonging to the Continental Army, who shall make known the watch word to any person who is not entitled to receive it, according to the rules and discipline of war, or shall presume to give a parole or watch word different from what he received shall suffer death, or such other punishment as shall be ordered by the sentence of a general Court martial.

Art. 27. Whosoever belonging to the Continental Army shall relieve the enemy with money, victuals, or ammunition, or shall knowingly harbour or protect an enemy shall suffer such punishment as by a general Court martial shall be ordered.

Art. 28. Whosoever belonging to the Continental Army, shall be convicted of holding correspondence with or of giving intelligence to the enemy, either directly or indirectly, shall suffer such punishment, as by a general Court martial shall be ordered.

Art. 29. All public stores taken in the Enemy's Camp or Magazines, whether of Artillery, ammunition, clothing or provisions, shall be secured for the use of the United Colonies.