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## Standing Orders.

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1. The Regiment to be called the "Sixth Battalion Volunteer Militia, or Hochelaga Light Infantry." The Badge and Device of the Battalion to be as follows: Quarterly, First, Or, a Beaver proper on a mount vert. Second, gales a Lion passant, Or. Third, Azure, a Bugle Horn, Argent, embellished Or, strings gales, (between the strings the number VI. in gold.) Fourth, Argent, a sprig of three maple leaves proper. The whole within a garter, azure buckled, and fimbriated Or.

Crest, an Indian Warrior proper, holding

a Bow in his dexter hand, and having a quiver of Arrows over the sinister shoulder, motto, "*Vestigia nulla retrorsum.*"

2. The Uniform as at present worn by the Regiment, or as may be hereafter ordered.

3. The Officers shall be selected by the Officer commanding, to be submitted for appointment to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and seniority in the respective ranks shall be determined by date of the commissions. Each Officer, on appointment to the Battalion, shall at once provide himself with a Full and Undress Suit, as also with a Winter Uniform, in accordance with the regulations on this subject. Any neglect in this respect on his part, after a period of two months, will subject him to be reported to the proper authorities for disobedience of orders.

4. The Lieutenant-Colonel will command at all times when present, and preside over all meetings of the Officers when assembled together. He will be *ex-officio* a member of all Committees that may be appointed. To him all reports must be made, and through him must pass all correspondence of a pub-

lic nature connected with the duties or business of the Battalion.

5. The Majors, in the absence of the Lieutenant-Colonel, will assume, according to their seniority, the command of the Battalion, and perform such duties as may be required of them, in accordance with the Militia Act and the Standing Orders of the Battalion. They must at all times be prepared to render the Lieut.-Colonel such assistance as he may need in the due performance of his duties and the maintenance of good order and discipline in the Battalion.

6. The Captain of each Company will have sole charge of the Company placed under his command, for the discipline and good order of which he will be held strictly responsible to the Officer commanding. For his assistance in this and other matters connected with the well-being of his Company, he will command the assistance of his subaltern Officers, who will render him such aid as he may require in the performance of his duties. The Captain of each Company will be held strictly responsible for the Arms, Accoutrements, and other public property

that he may be entrusted with for its use, of which he must be prepared at any moment when called upon to furnish correct returns.

**7. THE ADJUTANT.**—This Officer will be under the immediate control of the Commanding Officer, to whom alone he will be responsible for the due performance of the duties of his Office. These duties being of a complicated and onerous character, will necessitate on his part a due amount of care, diligence and industry. He will have oversight of all duties and matters of discipline, not exclusively belonging to others. He will be personally present, parade and inspect all Guards and Picquets, or other duties that may be required. He will keep the Orderly Book of the Battalion, in which he will enter such orders as may be issued by the Commanding Officer, furnishing the different Captains with copies thereof. The Staff, he will notify of such orders as may concern them. He will keep a Duty Roster of the Battalion, in which he will have entered the name in full of each Officer belonging to it according to his rank and seniority, and from which he will detail Officers for

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duty when such may be required. He must make himself acquainted with the address of each Officer of the Battalion, whom he will duly notify, when necessary, of all parades and meetings of the Officers of the Battalion, and keep a record thereof in the Battalion Minute Book to which any of the Officers will be permitted to have access, should they require it, as also to the Order Book. In the performance of his duties he will be assisted by the Sergeant-Major, who will be immediately under his control and subject to his orders, and who as the senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Battalion, will exercise a general supervision over the other Non-Commissioned Officers, and will be answerable under the Adjutant for all matters of discipline not peculiarly the duty of others. The Adjutant will also perform the duties of Secretary at all the Officers' meetings.

8. **THE PAYMASTER.**—This Officer will act as Treasurer to the Battalion, and will receive all dues, fines, and funds that may accrue from time to time, for which he will be accountable to the Finance Committee,

and make disbursements therefrom only under their direction. He will keep a regular account of the Battalion funds, submitting the same for examination and audit at the Annual Meeting of the Officers. To assist him in the collection of dues and other matters connected with his department, he will command the assistance of the Paymaster-Sergeant, who is placed immediately under his orders, and will afford him such aid as he may require.

9. **THE SURGEON.**—This Officer, or the Assistant-Surgeon must be present at all Parades, when firing with blank ammunition takes place; also when any Company turns out for Ball practice, on due notice thereof. The Assistant-Surgeon is placed solely under his orders, and will render him all the assistance he may require for the due performance of his duties. The Hospital Sergeant is also placed immediately under his orders, and will obey such instructions as he may receive from himself or the Assistant-Surgeon.

10. **THE QUARTERMASTER.**—This Officer will take charge of all stores, or other public

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property handed over to him for safe keeping. He will superintend the issue and delivery of ammunition whenever the Battalion may require it. Both the Quartermaster-Sergeant and Armourer-Sergeant are placed under his orders, and will render him such assistance as he may require in the due performance of his duties. .

11. Honorary Members may be elected to the Battalion by a two-thirds vote of the Officers to that effect at any Regular Meeting, such Honorary Members not having a right to vote on any occasion.

12. To meet the current expenses of the Regiment, Officers shall pay monthly as follows:—Lieut.-Col., \$2; Majors, \$1.50; Captains, \$1.00; Lieutenants, 75 cents; Ensigns, 50 cents; and on promotion the several Officers shall pay as follows:—Lieut.-Colonel, \$20; Major, \$10; Captain, \$5; Lieutenant, \$5; Ensign, \$10; and the scale of fines for offences shall be as follows:—Absence without leave from meeting, Regular or Special, 50 cents; absence without leave from Drill, 50 cents; absence from Public Parade, \$2. All subscriptions

and other dues to be paid monthly. Any Officer in arrears for over three months to be reported for disobedience of orders. The Adjutant to report all fines to Paymaster.

13. Meetings will be held quarterly on the first Tuesday in January, April, July, and October, that one falling in April to be considered the Annual General Meeting. On or before these Meetings all dues must be paid. Any Officer in default to be reported to the Paymaster, when the general business is brought up for discussion, and at any Meeting no Officer in arrears will be allowed to vote. The following will be the order of proceedings at these Meetings:—Minutes of last Meeting, read and confirmed, or otherwise as the case may be; Reports of Committees received; Notices of Motion; General Business.

14. Special Meetings may be called on a requisition signed by any three Captains, and addressed to the Officer Commanding, specifying the object for which such meeting is desired, and to the discussion of which the meeting when called shall strictly confine itself. The Commanding

Officer may at any time call the Officers together for the consideration of matters affecting the welfare or good order of the Battalion. Three days previous notice of all meetings, when called, must be given.

15. COMMITTEES.—There will be a Permanent Finance Committee, consisting of the Lieut. Colonel, one Major, one Captain, the Paymaster, and the Adjutant, which will exercise supervision and control over the Battalion funds, and order such disbursements as may from time to time be necessary. The Paymaster reporting such for approval at the quarterly meeting immediately following after. Committees for special purposes may be appointed whenever found necessary. No disbursements shall be made by the Paymaster unless on the order of the Officer in command, and no account shall be paid unless the same is certified by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

16. The Non-Commissioned Officers of each Company shall be appointed by the Captain, subject to approval by the Officer Commanding. The Sergeant-Major and

Staff Sergeants shall be appointed by the Officer Commanding.

17. No Captain or other Officer in command of a Company will call out his Company for any special parade or occasion without the previous sanction of the Officer Commanding to whom he must, address a request in writing stating the object he has in view.

18. No Alteration or amendment to those standing orders to be made, or amendment carried unless due notice has been given at the Quarterly Meeting immediately preceding that at which such change is sought to be made.

19. No Private shall be appointed as a Non-Commissioned Officer or Non-Commissioned Officer promoted without having shewn to a board of Officers his competency to discharge the duties of the office.

20. The Board for the examination of Candidates for Non-Commissioned Officers to be composed of Senior Major, Senior Captain and Adjutant.

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21. At all meetings of Officers twelve shall constitute a quorum, and all Officers attending such meetings must be in uniform.

*Accepted and Confirmed at a meeting of Officers, March 8, 1861.*

**THEO. LYMAN,**  
*Major Com. H. L. Infantry.*

*Approved,*

*By command,*

**A. DESALABERRY, Lt.-Col.,**  
*D. A. G. M. L. C.*