

4. Sub-Lieutenants appointed to a Cavalry Regiment who are not qualified for service in the Cavalry, may be transferred to the Infantry.

#### APPOINTMENT FROM THE MILITIA.

5. A Commission as Lieutenant in Our Army may be given to a Lieutenant of one of Our Regiments of Militia under such regulations as to age or otherwise as may be issued from time to time by Our Secretary of State. The Officer shall pass a professional examination similar to that which will be required of a Sub-Lieutenant in Our Army before he receives a commission as Lieutenant.

## II.—PROMOTION.

### LIEUTENANTS.

6. A Sub-Lieutenant in Our Army may receive a Commission as Lieutenant,—

(a.) If he has been promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant from the rank of Non-Commissioned Officer, after a satisfactory service of not less than 12 months as a Sub-Lieutenant;

(b.) In the case of other Sub-Lieutenants,—after a satisfactory service of not less than 12 months with one of Our Regiments, and after having gone through a course of study and passed a professional examination, as laid down in Article 2.

### CAPTAINS.

7. A qualified Lieutenant shall be eligible for promotion to the rank of Captain after two years service in Our Army. In the case of Officers entering Our Army after the 26th August, 1871, this service shall date from the date of their Commissions as Lieutenants; in the case of other Officers, from the date of their first Commissions.

### MAJORS.

8. A qualified Captain shall be eligible for promotion to the rank of Major after six years service in Our Army. In the case of Officers entering Our Army after the 26th August, 1871, this service shall date from the date of their Commissions as Lieutenants; in the case of other Officers, from the date of their first Commissions.

### LIEUTENANT-COLONELS.

9. A qualified Officer holding the substantive rank of Major shall be eligible for promotion to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

### GENERAL RULES.

10. Every promotion shall be made upon the recommendation of Our Commander-in-Chief, with the approval of Our Secretary of State.

11. Succession to vacancies shall be regulated as follows:—

(a.) If a vacancy shall arise—

- (1.) By the promotion of an Officer to the rank of Major-General,
- (2.) By the death of an Officer,
- (3.) By an Officer becoming Supernumerary under Article 21, or,
- (4.) By an Officer being promoted to fill a vacancy in another Regiment or Corps,

the promotions in the several ranks necessary to fill the vacancy shall, unless it shall be expedient that the vacancies be otherwise filled, be given to the senior qualified Officer of each lower rank in the Regiment or Corps, except in the case of promotion to be Lieutenant-Colonel, in which case the vacancy shall

be filled by a qualified Officer to be selected by Our Commander-in-Chief with the approval of Our Secretary of State;

(b.) If a vacancy shall arise from any other cause, it shall be filled by a qualified Officer of Our Army, who shall be selected by Our Commander-in-Chief with the approval of Our Secretary of State.

12. No selection shall be made in succession to any vacancy caused by the retirement of an Officer, until such retirement shall have been completed, and shall have appeared in the London Gazette.

13. Officers below the rank of Field Officer shall not be recommended to Us for promotion unless they shall have previously passed such professional examination as may be fixed from time to time by Our Secretary of State. Officers serving with their Regiments at distant Foreign Stations may be provisionally promoted to vacancies previous to passing such examination, but such promotion shall be cancelled should the Officer fail in his examination. Captains now in Our Service may be appointed Majors without examination, if specially reported to and approved by Our Commander-in-Chief as having proved their efficiency for the rank of Major.

14. Lieutenants shall be required to pass the professional examination for the rank of Captain within five years from the date of their Commission as Lieutenants, failing to do which they shall be removed from Our Service, and may receive a sum not exceeding one year's pay; provided that in cases of exigency, Our Secretary of State may enlarge the time allowed for their examination. Officers now in Our Service who received their first Commissions before the 26th day of August, 1871, shall not be liable to the provisions of this Article.

## III.—TENURE OF APPOINTMENTS OF MAJOR AND LIEUTENANT-COLONEL IN A REGIMENT.

15. The appointment of Major in a Regiment or Battalion shall, in the case of Officers so appointed after the date of this Warrant, be held in the first instance for five years; the Officer being eligible for re-appointment. If not re-appointed, he shall receive half-pay.

16. The appointment of Lieutenant-Colonel of a Regiment or Battalion shall, in the case of Officers so appointed after the date of this Warrant, be held in the first instance for five years, and may be renewed if it appear to Our Commander-in-Chief with the approval of Our Secretary of State that such renewal is desirable for the good of Our Service. If the Officer be not re-appointed, he shall receive half-pay.

## IV.—ROYAL ARTILLERY AND ENGINEERS.

17. The foregoing Articles of this Warrant, viz., Articles 1 to 16, shall not apply to Our Royal Artillery or Royal Engineers.

## V.—EXCHANGES.

18. Subject to the sanction of Our Commander-in-Chief, Officers of equal substantive rank on full-pay, serving in Our Cavalry, Infantry of the Line, and Colonial Corps, and Officers (below the substantive rank of Field Officer) in Our Indian Staff Corps, may exchange from one Regiment or Corps to another, and Officers of equal substantive rank on full-pay serving in Brigades of Royal Artillery, in Companies of Royal Engineers, or in Regiments of more than one Battalion, may exchange from one Brigade, Company of Royal Engineers, or Battalion to another; provided