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THE MILITARY CROSS.

GEORGE, R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH: by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting:

WHEREAS We did by Royal Warrant under Our Sign Manual, dated 28th December, 1914, institute and create a new Decoration entitled "The Military Cross," to be awarded to Officers of certain ranks in Our Army in recognition of distinguished and meritorious services in time of War, and did make, ordain and establish certain rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances were subsequently amended by Royal Warrants dated the 23rd day of August, 1916, and the 25th day of June, 1917:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that our said Royal Warrants should be further amended:

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances contained in Our said

Royal Warrants shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the Cross shall be designated "The Military Cross."

Secondly.—It is ordained that The Military Cross shall consist of a Cross of Silver having on each arm the Imperial Crown, and bearing in the centre the Royal and Imperial Cipher.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that The Military Cross may be awarded to a Captain, a Commissioned Officer of a lower grade, or a Warrant Officer Class I or II, in any of Our Military Forces, and that The Military Cross shall be awarded only to Officers of the above ranks for gallant and distinguished services in action, on a recommendation to us by Our Principal Secretary of State for War. Officers not above the substantive rank of Captain who hold the acting or temporary rank of Major, and acting or temporary Chaplains 3rd Class, shall also be eligible.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that Foreign

Officers of an equivalent rank to those above-mentioned who have been associated in Military Operations with Our Military Forces shall be eligible for the award of the Military Cross.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that anyone who, after having performed services for which the Military Cross is awarded, subsequently performs an approved act of gallantry in action which, if he had not received the Cross, would have entitled him to it, shall be awarded a Bar to be attached to the riband by which the Cross is suspended, and for every additional such act an additional Bar may be added.

Sixthly.—It is ordained:—

(1) that a Warrant Officer Class I or II of any of Our Military Forces who has been awarded the Military Cross shall be paid a gratuity of £20 on promotion to a Commission, on transfer to Our Army Reserve, or on discharge without pension.

(2) that if he is discharged with a pension he shall be eligible for the additional pension of 6d. a day for Europeans, and 3d. a day for non-Europeans, if not already in receipt of such additional pension.

(3) that if he is awarded a Bar or Bars to his Military Cross, and he comes under sub-paragraph (1) of this clause each Bar shall for gratuity purposes be regarded as an original award of the decoration. If however he comes under sub-paragraph (2) of this clause, no gratuity or further addition to pension shall be issuable in respect of a Bar or Bars; and

(4) that awards of the Military Cross to officers of an Allied or Associated Army which may be granted under the fourth clause of this Our Royal Warrant, shall not entitle the recipient to any pension or gratuity in respect thereof.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer this Decoration shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and that a Register thereof shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War.

Eighthly.—It is ordained that The Military Cross shall be worn before Medals in such position in regard to other Decorations as We may from time to time assign to it, and shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a riband of 1 inch and $\frac{3}{4}$ in width, which shall be in colour white with a purple stripe—watered.

Ninthly.—It is ordained that The Military Cross shall not confer any individual precedence, but shall entitle the recipient to the addition after his name of the letters M.C.

Tenthly.—It is ordained:—

(1) that a recipient of the Military Cross who suffers death by sentence of Court Martial; or if an Officer, is cashiered, dismissed or removed from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces for misconduct; or if a sailor, soldier, or airman, is discharged from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces with ignominy, or for misconduct, or on account of a conviction by the Civil Power, or for having been sentenced to penal servitude; shall forfeit the Military Cross (unless otherwise recommended by the Army Council);

(2) that if a recipient of the Military Cross is convicted by the Civil Power, or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders' Act, 1907, he shall be liable to a like forfeiture on the recommendation of Our Army Council;

(3) that the forfeiture shall be carried out under an authority bearing our Royal Sign Manual; and shall involve

(a) the erasure of the recipient's name from the Register of those persons upon whom the Military Cross has been conferred; and

(b) the cessation of any pension or gratuity to which the possession of the decoration might entitle the recipient, but no such forfeiture shall extend to any sum of money which has already been paid.

(4) that We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall at all times have power to restore a forfeited Military Cross and with it such pension or gratuity as may have been forfeited;

(5) that a notice of forfeiture or of restoration shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 6th day of November, 1920, in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. S. CHURCHILL.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS WARRANT.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India. To all whom these Presents shall come Greeting:—

WHEREAS Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, by a Warrant dated the 23rd day of April, 1883, did institute, constitute and create a Decoration designated "The Royal Red Cross," to be awarded in recognition of special services rendered in nursing the sick and wounded of Our Army and Navy, and did make, ordain and establish certain rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances were subsequently amended by Royal Warrants dated the 11th day of December, 1897, the 24th day of July, 1902, the 8th day of September, 1909, the 10th day of November, 1915, the 15th day of December, 1917, and the 30th day of April, 1918.

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that Our Said Royal Warrants should be amended and consolidated.

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances contained in Our Said Royal Warrants shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained:—

(i) that the Decoration shall be styled and designated "The Royal Red Cross," and that it shall be divided into two Classes.

(ii) That the First Class shall consist of a

Cross, enamelled red, edged with gold, having on the arms thereof the words Faith, Hope, Charity, with the date of the institution of the Decoration; the centre having thereon in relief the Royal and Imperial Effigy; and that on the reverse thereof the Royal and Imperial Cipher and Crown shall be shown in relief on the centre; and

(iii) That the Second Class shall consist of a Cross of the same form and size as the First Class, but of frosted silver, with a Maltese Cross enamelled red not exceeding half its dimensions superimposed thereon, the centre having thereon in relief the Royal and Imperial Effigy; and that the reverse shall have inscribed on the arms thereof the words Faith, Hope, Charity and the date of institution of the original Decoration, the centre having thereon in relief the Royal and Imperial Cipher and Crown.

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Cross in either Class shall be attached to a dark blue riband edged red, of one inch in width, tied in a bow and worn on the left shoulder.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that the Decoration may be worn by the Queen Regnant, the Queen Consort, or the Queen Dowager of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors to confer either class of the Decoration upon any of the Princesses of the Royal Family of Great Britain and Ireland; also upon the Queens or Princesses of Foreign Countries who may have specially exerted themselves in providing for the nursing of the sick and wounded of Foreign Armies and Navies.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the First Class of the Decoration may be conferred upon a fully trained Nurse who is a member of one of the officially recognized Nursing Services, and who has shown exceptional devotion and competency in the performance of actual nursing duties with Our Army in the Field, or in Our Naval, Military, or Air Force Hospitals, or in an Auxiliary War Hospital, over a continuous and long period, or who has performed some very exceptional act of bravery and devotion at her post of duty; and whose name has been brought to Our Notice by Our Secretary of State for War, Our First Lord of the Admiralty, or Our Secretary of State for Air.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the Second Class of the Decoration may be conferred upon a fully trained Nurse, or an Assistant Nurse, Probationer, or V.A.D. Nursing Member, who belongs to one of the officially recognized Nursing Services, and who has shown special devotion and competency in the performance of actual nursing duties with Our Army in the Field, or in Our Naval, Military, or Air Force Hospitals, or in an Auxiliary War Hospital, over a continuous and long period, or who has performed some very exceptional act of bravery and devotion at her post of duty; and whose name has been brought to Our Notice by Our Secretary of State for War, our First Lord of the Admiralty, or Our Secretary of State for Air.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that the number of awards in the First Class of the Decoration shall not exceed two per cent. of the total establishment of Nurses, and that the number of awards in the Second Class of the Decoration shall not exceed five per cent. of the total establishment of Nurses, the allotments to be

proportionate to the number of each Nursing Service; provided nevertheless that it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors to make such additions as, under exceptional circumstances, We may deem fitting.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that a recipient of the First Class of the Decoration shall not afterwards be awarded the Second Class; that recipients of the Second Class of the Decoration, if trained nurses, shall be eligible for advancement to the First Class as vacancies may arise; and that on such advancement the Second Class Decoration shall be returned to the office of Our Secretary of State for War.

Eighthly.—It is ordained that recipients of the First Class of the Decoration, who are Our Subjects, shall be designated Members of the Royal Red Cross, and shall be entitled to the letters R.R.C. following their names; and that recipients of the Second Class of the Decoration, who are Our Subjects, shall be designated Associates of the Royal Red Cross, and shall be entitled to the letters A.R.R.C. following their names.

Ninthly.—It is ordained:—

(i) That either Class of the Decoration may be conferred upon Ladies (other than those referred to in the 4th and 5th Clauses of this Our Royal Warrant), whether subjects or foreign persons, who may be recommended to Our Notice by Our Secretary of State for War, Our First Lord of the Admiralty, or Our Secretary of State for Air, as having voluntarily undertaken nursing duties and shown special devotion and competency in the performance of such duties, over a continuous and long period, in hospitals which have been specially established for the treatment of sick and wounded personnel of Our Naval, Military or Air Forces—including our Indian Forces and the Forces of Our self-governing Dominions beyond the seas; but the First Class of the Decoration shall be conferred only upon a fully trained nurse.

(ii) That any foreign lady upon whom the First Class of the Decoration is conferred under this Our Royal Warrant shall be regarded as an "Honorary Member," and that such person upon whom the Second Class is conferred shall be regarded as an "Honorary Associate," and

(iii) That the numbers of each class of the Decoration which may be conferred under this Clause shall be additional to the Establishment ordained in the Sixth Clause of this Our Royal Warrant.

Tenthly.—It is ordained that if anyone upon whom the First Class of the Decoration has been conferred is subsequently recommended for such approved service as would have rendered her eligible for the Decoration, had she not already received it, she shall be awarded a Bar to be attached to the Decoration.

Eleventhly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer the Decoration shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and a register thereof kept in the office of Our Secretary of State for War.

Twelfthly.—In order to make such additional provision as shall effectually preserve pure this honourable distinction it is ordained:

(1) That if any person upon whom such distinction shall be conferred shall in the opinion of Our Army Council, Our Board of Admiralty, or Our Air Council so conduct

herself as to become unworthy of it she shall forfeit the Decoration.

(2) That if the recipient of this Decoration is convicted by the Civil Power, or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, she shall be liable to a like forfeiture on the recommendation of Our Army Council.

(3) That the forfeiture shall be carried out under an authority bearing Our Royal Sign Manual; and that the recipient's name shall thereupon be erased from the Register of those upon whom the said Decoration shall have been conferred.

(4) That We, Our Heirs and Successors shall at all times have power to restore a forfeited Royal Red Cross.

(5) That a notice of forfeiture or of restoration shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under the Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 25th day of October, 1920, in the Eleventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. S. CHURCHILL,

THE DISTINGUISHED CONDUCT MEDAL.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these presents shall come. Greeting:

WHEREAS Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, by a Warrant under her Royal Sign Manual dated 30th September, 1862, did institute and create a silver medal bearing the words "For Distinguished Conduct in the Field," to be granted to serjeants, corporals and privates of the Regular Army, for individual acts of distinguished conduct in the Field in any part of the world:

AND WHEREAS the rules and ordinances for the governance of the same have been amended from time to time:

AND WHEREAS We deem it expedient that the said Royal Warrant, as well as amendments thereto, which have been heretofore promulgated, or are now to be promulgated, shall be incorporated in a Royal Warrant under Our Sign Manual:

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances heretofore in force shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled: and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the medal, which shall be of silver, shall be designated "The Distinguished Conduct Medal," and shall bear on the obverse the Royal Effigy;

and on the reverse the words "For Distinguished Conduct in the Field."

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Distinguished Conduct Medal may be awarded on the recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field to Warrant Officers Classes I. and II., non-commissioned officers and men, serving in any of Our Military Forces for distinguished conduct in action in the Field.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that should anyone who has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal be subsequently recommended for such approved act or acts of distinguished conduct in action in the field as would have rendered him eligible for the Medal, had he not already received it, may be awarded a Bar to be attached to the riband by which the Medal is suspended; and that for every additional such act or acts of distinguished conduct an additional Bar may be awarded.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall not confer any individual precedence, but shall entitle the recipient to the addition after his name of the letters "D.C.M."

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and that a register thereof shall be kept in the office of our Principal Secretary of State for War.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall be worn before war medals in such order as We may from time to time assign to it, and that it shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a riband of one inch and one quarter in width, which shall be in colour crimson, having in the centre a dark blue stripe of a width equal to the crimson stripes on each side of it.

Seventhly.—It is ordained:—

(1) that a Warrant Officer Class I. or II., non-commissioned officer or man belonging to any of Our Military Forces who has been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall be paid a gratuity of £20 on promotion to a Commission, on transfer to Our Army Reserve or on discharge without pension;

(2) that if he is discharged with a pension he shall be eligible for an additional pension of 6d. a day for Europeans, and 3d. a day for non-Europeans, if not already in receipt of such additional pension;

(3) that, if he is awarded a bar or bars to his Distinguished Conduct Medal, and he comes under sub-paragraph (1) above, each bar shall for gratuity purposes be regarded as an original award of the medal. If, however, he comes under sub-paragraph (2) above, no gratuity or further addition to pension shall be issuable in respect of a bar or bars; and

(4) that soldiers of an Allied or Associated Army, of ranks equivalent to those of Our Military Forces specified in the second clause of this Our Royal Warrant, who have been associated in operations with Our Military Forces shall be eligible for the award of the Distinguished Conduct Medal but no pension or gratuity shall accompany such award.

Eighthly. It is ordained:—

(1) that a recipient of the Distinguished Conduct Medal who suffers death by sen-

tence of Court Martial; or, if an officer, is cashiered, dismissed or removed from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces for misconduct; or if a soldier, sailor or airman is discharged from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces with ignominy, or for misconduct, or on account of a conviction by the Civil Power, or for having been sentenced to penal servitude, shall forfeit the Distinguished Conduct Medal (unless otherwise recommended by Our Army Council).

(2) that if a recipient of the Distinguished Conduct Medal is convicted by the Civil Power, or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, he shall be liable to a like forfeiture at the discretion of Our Army Council;

(3) that the forfeiture of the Distinguished Conduct Medal shall involve:

(a) the erasure of the recipient's name from the register of persons upon whom the Distinguished Conduct Medal has been conferred; and

(b) the cessation of any pension or gratuity to which the possession of the medal might entitle the recipient, but no such forfeiture shall extend to any sum of money which has already been paid;

(4) That a forfeited Distinguished Conduct Medal and any forfeited annuity, pension or gratuity attaching to it, may be restored to its former holder under regulations approved by Our Army Council:

PROVIDED that We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall at all times have power to restore a forfeited Distinguished Conduct Medal, and with it such pension or gratuity as may have been forfeited;

(5) that a notice of forfeiture and of restoration under this clause shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at St. James's this 6th day of November, 1920, in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. S. CHURCHILL.

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

GEORGE R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting;

WHEREAS We did by Royal Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated 25th March, 1916, institute and create a silver medal entitled "The Military Medal" to be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for bravery in the Field, and did make, ordain and establish certain rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances

were subsequently amended by Royal Warrants, dated the 21st day of June, 1916, the 1st day of August, 1918, and the 24th day of March, 1919:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that Our said Royal Warrants should be further amended:

NOW THEREFORE WE do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances contained in Our said Royal Warrants shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the medal shall be designated "The Military Medal."

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Military Medal shall bear on the obverse the Royal Effigy, and on the reverse the words "For bravery in the Field," encircled by a wreath surmounted by the Royal Cipher and a Crown.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that the Military Medal may be awarded to Warrant Officers Classes I. and II., non-commissioned officers and men serving in any of our Military Forces for individual or associated acts of bravery in the Field on the recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that in cases where Warrant Officers Classes I. and II., non-commissioned officers and men who have been awarded the Military Medal shall be recommended by a Commander-in-Chief in the Field for further acts of bravery, a Bar or Bars may be added to the medal already conferred.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the Military Medal may, under exceptional circumstances, on the special recommendation of a Commander-in-Chief in the Field, be awarded to women, whether subjects or foreign persons, who have shown bravery and devotion under fire, and a Bar or Bars may be added for further such acts.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that soldiers of an Allied or Associated Army of ranks equivalent to those of Our Military Forces specified in the third clause of this Our Royal Warrant, who have been associated in operations with Our Military Forces shall be eligible for the award of the Military Medal.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that the Military Medal shall not confer any individual precedence, but shall entitle the recipient to the addition after his or her name of the letters M.M.

Eighthly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer the Military Medal shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and that a Register thereof shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War.

Ninthly.—It is ordained that the Military Medal shall be worn before war medals in such order as We may from time to time assign to it, and that it shall be worn on the left breast pendent from a ribbon of one inch and one quarter in width, which shall be in colour dark blue having in the centre three white and two crimson stripes alternating.

Tenthly.—It is ordained:—

(1) That a recipient of the Military Medal who suffers death by sentence of Court Martial; or, if an officer, is cashiered, dismissed

or removed from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces for misconduct; or, if a sailor, soldier or airman is discharged from Our Naval, Military or Air Forces with ignominy, or for misconduct, or on account of a conviction by the Civil Power, or for having been sentenced to penal servitude; or, if a woman, shall in the opinion of Our Army Council, Our Board of Admiralty or Our Air Council, as the case may be, so conduct herself as to be unworthy of it, shall forfeit the Military Medal unless otherwise recommended by Our Army Council.

(2) That if a recipient of the Military Medal is convicted by the Civil Power, or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, he or she shall be liable to a like forfeiture at the discretion of Our Army Council.

(3) That a forfeited Military Medal may be restored to its former holder under regulations approved by Our Army Council; provided that We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall at all times have power to restore a forfeited Military Medal.

(4) That a notice of forfeiture and of restoration shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 30th day of October, 1920, in the eleventh Year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. S. CHURCHILL.

THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL.

GEORGE, R.I.

GEORGE THE FIFTH by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting:

WHEREAS Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, by a Warrant under Her Sign Manual, dated 19th December, 1845, did ordain (a) that a certain sum of public money (£2,000) should be expended annually in awarding annuities of £20 to Serjeants of the Regular Army as a reward for their good, faithful and efficient service: (b) that the recipients of these annuities should be selected by the Commander-in-Chief of the Army: and (c) that the Serjeants so selected to receive the annuities should also receive the Meritorious Service Medal; and did by Royal Warrant dated 10th June, 1884, apply the conditions of Her previous Royal Warrants regarding these medals and annuities to all soldiers above the rank of Corporal.

AND WHEREAS the sum of £2,000 has been increased from time to time.

AND WHEREAS by a Warrant under Our Sign Manual dated 4th October, 1916, We did ordain that the grant of the Meritorious Service Medal should be extended to non-com-

missioned officers and men in Our Military Forces below the rank of Serjeant for valuable and meritorious service; and by Our Royal Warrant dated 23rd November, 1916, We did institute a bar or bars which might be awarded to recipients of the Meritorious Service Medal for subsequent approved acts of gallantry, in the performance of military duty (not necessarily on active service), or in saving or attempting to save the life of an officer or soldier; and by Our Royal Warrant dated 3rd January, 1917, We did still further extend the conditions under which the Meritorious Service Medal might be awarded to soldiers in Our Military Forces who were duly recommended for acts of gallant conduct while performing Military duty otherwise than in action or for devotion to duty in a theatre of war:

AND WHEREAS WE deem it expedient that all the aforesaid Royal Warrants, as well as all amendments thereto which have been heretofore promulgated, or are now to be promulgated, shall be incorporated in a Warrant under Our Sign Manual:

NOW THEREFORE WE do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances heretofore in force shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain and establish the following rules and ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall from henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly.—It is ordained that the medal shall be of silver and designated "The Meritorious Service Medal," and shall bear on the obverse the Royal Effigy, and on the reverse the words "For Meritorious Service" encircled by two laurel leaves and surmounted by the Imperial Crown.

Secondly.—It is ordained:—

(a) That a fixed sum of £7,500, part of the Public Monies for the upkeep of Our Army shall be devoted to the purpose of awarding Meritorious Service Annuities of not more than £10 in any one case.

(b) That every Warrant Officer Classes 1 and 2, and every non-commissioned officer above the rank of corporal who has served with the Colours in Our Regular Army for 21 years, or who has been invalided from Our Regular Army after 18 years' Colour Service, shall be eligible to be considered for the grant of a Meritorious Service Annuity provided:

(i) That he served in or above the rank of Serjeant in a regular unit;

(ii) That he is in possession of the Medal for long service and good conduct, and has been awarded or is otherwise eligible for, an exemplary character on discharge; and

(iii) That he is duly recommended for the annuity for good, faithful, valuable and meritorious service in respect of the whole period of his Army engagement, by the Commanding Officer of the last Regular Unit with which he served, or by the Officer in Charge of his Records.

(c) That instructions as to procedure in submitting such applications for registration for the medal and annuity shall be laid down in the "King's Regulations for the Army";

(d) That the names of candidates for the Meritorious Service Annuity who are recommended and accepted shall be entered, in the order in which such acceptance is approved,

in a register which shall be kept in the office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War;

(e) That the Military Secretary to our Principal Secretary of State for War shall select from the list of registered candidates the names of those whom he considers to be most deserving to receive any annuities that may fall vacant;

(f) That a Regular Warrant Officer or Non-Commissioned Officer who is thus selected for the grant of a Meritorious Annuity shall also be awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, except that a candidate who is already in possession of the Meritorious Service Medal shall receive the annuity only;

(g) That a Meritorious Service annuity may be held in addition to ordinary pension, and in conjunction with any additional pension to which the annuitant may be entitled;

(h) That when a Meritorious Service annuitant is promoted to a Commission the annuity shall be surrendered, but he shall receive annually in lieu thereof pay equivalent to such annuity.

Thirdly.—It is ordained:—

(a) That the Meritorious Service Medal may be awarded to Warrant Officers Classes I. and II., non-commissioned officers and men of Our Military Forces who are duly recommended for the medal by a Commander-in-Chief for gallant conduct in the performance of military duty (not necessarily on active service) or in saving or attempting to save the life of an officer or soldier, or for devotion to duty in a theatre of war.

(b) That a Commander-in-Chief when recommending a soldier of Our Military Forces for the Meritorious Service Medal (or for a bar to the same under (e) of this clause) for gallant conduct shall record his opinion whether the case merits the grant of an additional pension—6*d.* a day for Europeans and 3*d.* a day for Non-Europeans—should the soldier be discharged with a pension;

(c) That the additional pension referred to in (b) of this clause may be awarded if the services are duly recommended by a Commander-in-Chief, and deemed to merit the additional pension; provided that this additional pension has not been previously awarded to the soldier;

(d) That in no circumstances shall the award of the Meritorious Service Medal for gallant conduct or devotion to duty carry with it any claim to the annuity granted under the second clause of this Our Royal Warrant;

(e) That should a soldier of any of Our Military Forces who has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (either with or without annuity) subsequently perform an approved act of gallantry (not necessarily on active service), in the performance of military duty or in saving or attempting to save the life of an officer or soldier, which, had he not already received the Meritorious Service Medal, would have rendered him eligible for it, may be awarded a Bar; and for every additional such act of gallantry an additional bar may be awarded.

(f) That any soldier of Our Regular Army who is granted the Meritorious Service Medal for gallant conduct or devotion to duty in accordance with the conditions laid

down in this clause of this Our Royal Warrant shall, if subsequently recommended and approved for an annuity in accordance with the second clause of this Our Royal Warrant, receive the annuity only. In such case he will receive the annuity as well as any additional pension which may have been awarded him under (c) of this clause.

(g) That soldiers of an Allied or Associated Army, of ranks equivalent to those of Our Military Forces specified in (a) of this clause, who have been associated in operations with Our Military Forces, shall be eligible for the award of the Meritorious Service Medal, but no annuity or additional pension shall accompany such awards; and

(h) That a Register of the Recipients of the Meritorious Service Medal (and bars) awarded under this clause shall be kept in the office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War, but such Register shall be separate and distinct from the Register referred to under (d) of the second clause of this Our Royal Warrant.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom WE may be pleased to confer the Meritorious Service Medal without annuity under the third clause of this Our Royal Warrant shall be published in the *London Gazette*.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the Meritorious Service Medal shall be worn after war medals, in such order as WE may from time to time assign to it, and that it shall be worn on the left breast, pendent from a riband of one inch and a quarter in width, which shall in colour be crimson with white edges, and a white line down the centre.

Sixthly.—It is ordained:—

(1) That if a recipient of the Meritorious Service Medal suffers death by sentence of Court-Martial; or, being an officer is cashiered, dismissed or removed from our Military Forces for misconduct; or being a soldier is discharged from Our Military Forces with ignominy, or for misconduct, or on account of a conviction by the Civil Power, or for having been sentenced to penal servitude; he shall forfeit the Meritorious Service Medal (unless otherwise recommended by Our Army Council);

(2) That if a recipient of the Meritorious Service Medal is convicted by the Civil Power or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, he shall be liable to a like forfeiture at the discretion of Our Army Council;

(3) That the forfeiture of the Meritorious Service Medal shall involve—

(a) The erasure of the recipient's name from the register of persons upon whom the Meritorious Service Medal has been conferred, and

(b) the cessation of any annuity or pension to which the possession of the medal might entitle the recipient; but no such forfeiture shall extend to any sum of money which has been already paid;

(4) That a forfeited Meritorious Service Medal and any forfeited annuity or pension attaching to it, may be restored to its former holder under regulations approved by Our Army Council;

PROVIDED that We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall at all times have power to

restore a forfeited Meritorious Service Medal and with it such annuity or pension as may have been forfeited;

(5) That a notice of forfeiture and of restoration shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors, full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting, or dispensing with these Regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court of St. James's this 6th day of November, 1920, in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,
W. S. CHURCHILL.

THE TERRITORIAL DECORATION.

GEORGE, R.I.

WHEREAS His late Majesty King Edward VII by a Royal Warrant dated 17th August, 1908, did institute and create a Decoration to be awarded to Officers of Our Territorial Force for long and meritorious service and proved capacity; and did lay down rules and ordinances for the governance of the same, which rules and ordinances were subsequently amended by Royal Warrants dated the 3rd day of May, 1912, and the 11th day of November, 1918.

AND WHEREAS We deem it expedient that the aforementioned Royal Warrants should be amended and consolidated:

NOW THEREFORE We do hereby declare that the rules and ordinances contained in the aforementioned Royal Warrants shall be abrogated, cancelled and annulled, and We are pleased to make, ordain, and establish the following rules and Ordinances in substitution for the same, which shall henceforth be inviolably observed and kept:—

Firstly. It is ordained that the Decoration shall be styled and designated "The Territorial Decoration," and shall consist of an Oak Wreath in silver tied with gold, having in the centre the Royal Cipher and Crown in gold.

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Decoration shall be worn suspended on the left breast from a silver Oak bar-brooch by a green riband of one inch and a half in width, with a yellow stripe down the centre.

Thirdly.—It is ordained that the Decoration may be worn by Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Kings and Queens Regnant of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland: and it shall be competent for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, to confer the Decoration upon any of the Princes of the Royal Family of Great Britain and Ireland.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the period of service requisite to qualify for this Decoration shall be 20 years' commissioned service on the active list of our Territorial Force, including commissioned service in the senior and junior divisions of Our Officers' Training Corps; but previous commissioned service in Our Yeomanry Cavalry, Imperial Yeomanry, or

Volunteer Force which existed before 1st April, 1908, shall be allowed to reckon as qualifying service, as well as previous qualifying service for the "Colonial Auxiliary Forces Officers' Decoration," or "Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Officers' Decoration."

Fifthly.—It is ordained that an Officer who has the necessary qualifying service must be recommended by the Commanding Officer of the unit in which he has served, and be certified by the District Military Authorities in which the unit is located, as an efficient and thoroughly capable officer, in every way deserving of such a Decoration.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that half the time which an Officer may have served after the age of 17 years on the active list in the ranks of Our Territorial Force, or of the Yeomanry Cavalry, Imperial Yeomanry, or Volunteer Force which existed before 1st April, 1908; or after the age of 17 years in a recognised Cadet Corps or Battalion of the organisation which existed before the 21st May, 1910; or after the age of 17 years as a Cadet in the senior division of Our Officers' Training Corps; shall be reckoned as qualifying service for this Decoration.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that an Officer of Our Territorial Force (including the Territorial Force Reserve) who was serving as such on the 4th August, 1914, and did, before the 11th day of November, 1918, actually serve overseas, or sign a written agreement to serve overseas, on Military Service, shall reckon all embodied service as an Officer on the active list two-fold as qualifying service towards the 20 years required as aforesaid, whether such service was in Our Royal Navy, Our Regular Army, Our Royal Air Force, Our Special Reserve, Our Territorial Force, or Our Dominion or Colonial Forces.

Eighthly.—It is ordained that an Officer of Our Territorial Force (including the Territorial Force Reserve) who was serving in the Territorial Force on the 4th day of August, 1914, and did before the 11th day of November, 1918, actually serve overseas, or sign a written agreement to serve overseas, on military service, shall reckon all embodied service in the ranks on the active list as full single qualifying service towards the 20 years required as aforesaid, whether such service was in Our Royal Navy, Our Regular Army, Our Royal Air Force, Our Special Reserve, Our Territorial Force, or Our Dominion or Colonial Forces.

Ninthly. It is ordained that the following service shall not be deemed to be qualifying service for this Decoration:—

(1) Service which was reckoned as qualifying service towards the grant of any "Volunteer Officers' Decoration" which may have been awarded to the Officer.

(2) Service in the ranks other than which is admissible as qualifying service under the 6th and 8th clauses of this Our Royal Warrant.

(3) The service of a University Candidate for a Commission in the Regular Army, other than his service with a contingent of the Senior Division of Our Officers' Training Corps.

(4) The service of an Officer transferred to the Unattached List after the 31st March, 1911, other than the service of an Officer who has been transferred to the Unattached

List for duty with Our Officers' Training Corps.

(5) The peace-time commissioned service of an Officer for the period when his military service is available only on mobilisation.

Tenthly.—It is ordained that the recipient of this Decoration shall be permitted to wear with it any "Volunteer Officers' Decoration" which may have been awarded to him, provided that he has completed the full periods of qualifying service for both Decorations; also any "Imperial Yeomanry Long Service and Good Conduct Medal," "Volunteer Long Service Medal," or "Territorial Force Efficiency Medal" which may have been awarded to him, provided that he has completed the full periods of qualifying service for both Decoration and Medal.

Eleventhly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom we may be pleased to confer the Decoration shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and a Register thereof kept in the office of Our Principal Secretary of State for War.

Twelfthly.—In order to make such additional provision as shall effectually preserve pure this most honourable distinction, it is ordained:—

(1) That a recipient of the "Territorial Decoration" who suffers death by sentence of Court-Martial, or is cashiered, dismissed, or removed from Our Naval, Military, or Air Forces for misconduct shall forfeit the

Decoration (unless otherwise recommended by Our Army Council).

(2) That if a recipient of the "Territorial Decoration" is convicted by the Civil Power, or is dealt with under the Probation of Offenders Act, 1907, or is called upon to resign his Commission, he shall be liable to a like forfeiture on the recommendation of Our Army Council.

(3) That the forfeiture shall be carried out under authority bearing Our Royal Sign Manual; and that the name of the recipient shall thereupon be erased from the Register of those upon whom the Decoration has been conferred.

(4) That We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall at all times have power to restore a forfeited "Territorial Decoration."

(5) That a notice of forfeiture or of restoration shall in every case be published in the *London Gazette*.

Lastly.—We reserve to Ourselves, Our Heirs and Successors full power of annulling, altering, abrogating, augmenting, interpreting or dispensing with these regulations, or any part thereof, by a notification under Our Royal Sign Manual.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, this 13th day of October, 1920, in the eleventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command.

W. S. CHURCHILL.

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