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[This Order is substituted for the Order that was published in the Gazette of the 18th of October instant.]

AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 15th day of *October*, 1872.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the eleventh section of the Volunteer Act, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, it is amongst other things enacted that "Her Majesty in Council may from time to time declare what is requisite to entitle a Volunteer to be deemed an Efficient Volunteer, by an Order in Council defining for that purpose the extent of attendance at drill to be given by the Volunteer, and the course of instruction to be gone through by him, and the degree of proficiency in drill and instruction to be attained by him and his Corps, such proficiency to be judged of by the Inspecting Officer at the Annual Inspection of the Corps, or otherwise, as by Order in Council is from time to time directed; and that the draft of any scheme to be from time to time submitted to Her Majesty in Council for approval under the present section, shall have been laid before both Houses of Parliament for one lunar month, at least, either before or after, or partly before and partly after, the passing of this Act during the present, or for the like period during any subsequent session of Parliament, before such scheme receives the approval of Her Majesty in Council."

And whereas by an Order in Council, bearing date the twenty-seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, what was requisite to entitle a Volunteer to be deemed an efficient Volunteer was declared, which Order it is deemed expedient to amend in manner hereafter mentioned.

And whereas a draft scheme of amendments relative to the efficiency of Volunteers, as set forth in the said Order in Council, was on the eighteenth June last laid before both Houses of Parliament in the words and figures mentioned and set forth in the Schedule to this Order annexed; and one lunar month having elapsed since that time, the said scheme hath this day been submitted to Her Majesty in Council for Her approval thereof:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, having this day taken the said scheme into consideration, doth, in

pursuance and exercise of the power in Her Majesty by the said Act of Parliament in that behalf vested, and by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, hereby declare Her Royal approval of the said scheme:

And that the same shall come into operation on the first of November next, but so that the drills of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, shall be reckoned if need be to complete the number of drills needed for the efficiency of a Volunteer for the year ending thirty-first October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two; but if the drills of November, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, be so reckoned, then they shall not be again reckoned for the year ending thirty-first October, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Edmund Harrison.

SCHEME referred to in the foregoing Order in Council.

Scheme of Amendments relative to the Efficiency of Volunteers as set forth in Her Majesty's Order in Council, dated twenty-seventh July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, referred to in this Order.

1. The Certificates of Efficiency granted to enrolled members of the Volunteer Force hereafter, shall be dated the first November in each year. They shall be granted on the previous submission of the Adjutant, and be signed in case of difference of opinion between that Officer and the Commanding Officer of the Corps by the Officer appointed by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State to act on that behalf, in lieu of the Assistant Inspector of Volunteers as heretofore provided. If no Adjutant be appointed to, or acting for a Corps, the certificate shall be granted and signed as the Secretary of State may direct.

2. In order that the efficiency of the Volunteers may be increased, the certificates shall, in addition to, or in substitution for, the requirements prescribed by the former Order in Council, state—

(1) As to all the Corps:

(a) That the Volunteer does not belong to the Regular, Militia, Yeomanry, or Army Reserve (including Enrolled Pensioner) Forces; and that he is not enrolled in any other Volunteer Corps.