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AT the Court at *Balmoral*, the 26th day of *September*, 1891.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by the eleventh section of the Volunteer Act, 1863, 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 it is deemed expedient that the Order in Council bearing date the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty, declaring what is requisite to entitle a Volunteer to be deemed an efficient Volunteer, be amended so far as relates to the particulars shown in the schedule hereof, a draft of which schedule was on the sixth day of July last, laid before both Houses of Parliament in the words therein mentioned and set forth, and one lunar month having elapsed since that time, the amendment of the Scheme of Efficiency for which provision is made in the said schedule hath this day been submitted to Her Majesty in Council for Her approval thereof:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty having this day taken the said amendment 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 amend, in the words of the said schedule the aforesaid Order in Council of the thirty-first day of July, one thousand eight

hundred and eighty, and doth declare Her Royal approval of the amendment.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE referred to in the foregoing Order in Council.

AMENDMENT of the Scheme relative to the Efficiency of Volunteers, in force under Her Majesty's Order in Council dated thirty-first July, one thousand eight hundred and eighty,—or Orders since issued in amendment thereof,—made under the provisions of the Volunteer Act, 1863.

I. In the Form of Certificate of Efficiency for men belonging to the First Class Army Reserve serving with Engineer Volunteer Corps,—appended to the abovementioned scheme,—to substitute for the existing preface to the third and fourth paragraphs of the foot-note the following words:—

"Second and subsequent years after recruits' course"; and to make an addition to such foot-note as follows:—

"Railway Reservists transferred from the First Class Army Reserve (Infantry) will be required, during the first year, to perform the number of drills prescribed for Reservists of the Engineer Volunteer Corps to which they are attached."

II. In the Form of Certificate of Efficiency for Artillery Volunteer Corps appended to the same scheme to substitute for the present fifth and sixth paragraphs of the foot-note new paragraphs in the following words:—

"Third and fourth years, and in subsequent years also in the case of ordinary Volunteers."	"If present at inspection, nine gun and three other drills, including the inspection. "If absent from inspection with leave of the Commanding Officer, or through sickness duly certified, eleven gun and three other drills."
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WHEREAS by "The Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1873," it is enacted that "it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council, from time to time to direct that there