

## ROYAL NEW ZEALAND ARTILLERY.

275. Medical attendance will be granted to warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men of the R.N.Z.A., under the regulations and conditions hereafter defined, except when on ordinary leave or furlough.

276. (A.) Warrant officers, N.C.O.s, and men prevented from performing their duty through wounds, injury, or sickness incurred in the performance of their duty shall be termed "first-class sick," and receive their full pay.

Warrant officers, N.C.O.s, and men prevented from performing their duty through ordinary sickness or accident while off duty shall be termed "second-class sick," and 1s. 6d. per diem shall be stopped out of their pay for subsistence.

Warrant officers, N.C.O.s, and men prevented from performing their duty through sickness incurred by their own misconduct, as defined in Art. 902 (d), R.W. for pay, &c., shall be termed "third-class sick," and shall forfeit all their pay except 1s. 6d. per diem, for subsistence.

277. (B.) Warrant officers, N.C.O.s and men receiving injuries while on duty, of such a nature as to incapacitate them for a continuous period of upwards of three months, shall, on the expiration of that term, if so recommended by a Medical Board selected by D.M.S, be granted leave for such term as Headquarters may determine.

278. (C.) When an officer, warrant or N.C. officer, or man of the R.N.Z.A. is considered to be, through being frequently on the sick-list, or for any other cause, physically unfit for the service, a report shall be obtained from a Medical Board as above, and if, in their opinion, the person is medically unfit, an application will be made for the person to be medically examined by the medical examiners of the Superannuation Board, and Headquarters will then take such action as the report may indicate to be necessary.

279. The O.C. detachment to which the man belongs will determine the "class" for purposes of stoppage.

280. Medical attendance will be restricted to the persons detailed in the regulations and subject to the conditions therein laid down. It will include the supply of medicines, &c., provided by the medical officer in charge of the case, and ordered by him from a hospital or dispensary.

### SECTION XII.—ALLOWANCES WHILE ABSENT ON GROUNDS OF ILLNESS, R.N.Z.A.

281. Absence from regular duty on account of sickness or injury, whether in hospital or otherwise, shall be considered leave of absence within the meaning of these regulations.

282. All cases of leave of absence granted on the grounds of illness shall be at once notified to Headquarters.

283. In case of sickness or ill-health Headquarters may, on the production of satisfactory evidence, grant extended leave, not exceeding three months, in accordance with the following schedule:—

Length of Service.	Period for which Leave may be granted, on—	
	Full Pay.	Half-pay.
	Months.	Months.
Under five years .. .. .	1	2
Over five and under ten years .. .. .	2	1
Over ten years .. .. .	3	..

284. In exceptional cases the Minister may take any special circumstances into consideration, and may vary the scale of payments; provided that in no case shall the leave granted exceed three months on full pay.

285. Where in case of illness an officer or soldier who has received leave of absence for three months is not so far recovered as to be able to resume his duties, further extensions of leave may be granted, with the approval of the Minister, in accordance with the following schedule, provided that on each extension of leave the applicant shall be subjected to an examination by the Regimental Medical Officer, or by a Medical Board if necessary.

Length of Service.	Period for which Leave may be granted, on—		
	Half-pay.	Third-pay.	Without Pay.
	Months.	Months.	Months.
Under five years .. .. .	1	6	8
Over five and under ten years .. .. .	3	6	6
Over ten years .. .. .	6	3	6

286. In exceptional cases, special circumstances may be taken into consideration—*e.g.*, where a member in discharge of his duty sustains injuries of such a nature as to incapacitate him for all duty, this scale may be varied: provided that in no case shall full pay be allowed for a period exceeding nine months in addition to leave granted by the Minister on full pay.

287. If any member is absent from duty on account of illness, and such absence has extended beyond three months, he shall not be permitted to return to duty unless and until the Principal Medical Officer, or some other medical practitioner approved by the G.O.C., or a Medical Board has certified that he is fit to resume work.

288. When extended leave is granted other than on full pay, the rate paid for Sundays and holidays shall be the same as that allowed for the period of leave.

289. No leave on account of illness shall be granted with pay if the sickness or ill-health has been caused by the misconduct of the member.