

inspector, adjutant of the regiment, or other person as the case may require, with a copy of the charges exhibited against him at least ten days before his trial; and if any delinquent being duly notified of the time and place of any such court martial, shall refuse or neglect to attend, the court martial shall proceed to the trial of such delinquent in the same manner as if he were personally present; *Provided, nevertheless,* that the said delinquent shall have power of making his excuse in writing, or otherwise, in cases where he is prevented from attending said court by sickness or absence from said city.

724. The commanding officer of each regiment shall notify in writing the brigade inspector of his brigade, or cause such notice to be left at his residence, of the place of his regimental parade, as herein prescribed, at least three days previous thereto; and the said brigade inspector shall attend said meeting and inspect the said regiment, or if prevented by sickness or some sufficient excuse other than business, he shall appoint such officer of the brigade as will execute the duty; and for the purpose of making the return hereinafter directed, the commanding officer of each regiment shall, within ten days after such inspection, make return to the said inspector of all arms and accoutrements, the property of the State, designating such as are fit for service, and also of all private arms and accoutrements, and the companies and corps by which they are held; and the commanding officer of each company shall make such report as the commanding officer of the regiment may require for said purpose; and the said brigade inspector shall, on or before the first day of December thereafter, make a consolidated return thereof to the commanding officer of the division, who shall, within thirty days thereafter, make a consolidated return of all arms and accoutrements as aforesaid to the adjutant general of the State; and the said inspector shall attend his commanding officer of brigade when required, to receive and execute all orders necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this law; and if any officer shall neglect or refuse to execute any of the duties herein required of him, he shall be fined a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, in the discretion of such court martial as the case may require.

725. The militia, on a day of review or parade established by this article, may be detained under arms any time not exceeding two hours; *Provided,* they are allowed proper time to refresh themselves.