notify the corresponding Register of Deed of such valuation. In order to determine such value, the Court shall take into consideration the assessments theretofore levied for the purposes of the School Tax Law, formerly the Property Tax Law, without being bound by such assessments."

ARTICLE 2. The provisions of Executive Order No. 511, as modified by the present Order, shall apply to all cases of which the Land Court has taken cognizance prior to the promulgation of the present Executive Order, which have not been finally decided before the installation of a Dominican Constitutional Government, until final judgment is pronounced.

The Land Court shall be understood as having taken cognizance of a case from the moment when any cadastral survey has been begun in accordance with Article 54 of Executive Order No. 511.

No case in which final decision has been or may have been pronounced prior to the installation of a Dominican Constitutional Government shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph (a) of Article 1 of the present Executive Order.

ARTICLE 3. The personnel of the Land Court, as at present constituted, shall suffer no change by reason of any modification effected by the present Executive Order, until the establishment of a Dominican Constitutional Government.

ARTICLE 4. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

S. S. ROBISON,
Rear Admiral, United States Navy,
Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, R. D.,
September 15, 1922.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Executive Order No. 800

DOMINICAN NATIONAL CONSTABULARY LAW.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government

of Santo Domingo, the following Executive Order is hereby promulgated:

ARTICLE 1. The following Laws are hereby revoked:

(a) Law of the Legislature, of May 15, 1876, governing the organization and service of the National Guard, and the Decree of the Executive Power, of December 29, 1910;

(b) Law of May 26, 1885, governing the organization of the Army and Conscription;

(c) Law of Juy 11, 1912, governing the organization of the Army;

(d) Any other Law, Resolution, Decree, Order or Regulation referring to the Dominican Army or Navy, or the National Guard, whether rural, national, republican, or of any other kind;

(e) Executive Orders Nos. 47, 54, 245, 392, 631, and 669, with the exception of the first paragraph of Executive Order No. 47.

ARTICLE 2. From and after the publication of this Law, the Dominican National Constabulary shall constitute the only national armed force charged with the maintenance of public order, with looking after the safety of institutions belonging to the Government of the Dominican Republic, with discharging the general police duties of the State, and with seeing that the Laws of the Republic are enforced.

ARTICLE 3. The Dominican National Constabulary shall consist of a Staff and of such companies as may be annually prescribed in the Budget.

ARTICLE 4. The chiefs and officers of the Dominican National Constabulary shall be appointed by the Executive Power after recommendation by the Secretary of Interior and Police.

ARTICLE 5. Noncommissioned officers shall be appointed by the Secretary of Interior and Police at the instance of the Colonel Commanding the Dominican National Constabulary.

ARTICLE 6. The Dominican National Constabulary shall be directly subject to the Department of Interior and Police.

ARTICLE 7. Enlistment in the Dominican National Constabulary is voluntary, and any one desiring to join it shall enlist for two years, and shall, in addition to the oath required by the Constitution, swear allegiance to the Dominican Flag, to support the Dominican Government, and faithfully to discharge his duties.

ARTICLE 8. The medical service of the Dominican National Constabulary shall be under the charge of its military doctors who shall, moreover, conduct physical examinations for entrance and issue a certificate of good health for each applicant for admission into the Constabulary, and shall examine those members thereof who should be discharged for physical unfitnees and shall instruct the members of each company as **practicantes** so that, in case of necessity, they may render first aid to those of the Constabulary who may need it.

ARTICLE 9. The service of the Dominican National Constabulary shall include administrative and judicial police duties in cities, towns, along frontiers and in rural districts, and, in general, wherever any disorder occurs.

ARTICLE 10. Whenever any service is required of any member of the Dominican National Constabulary by other than his superior officer, the order shall cite the law authorizing it, and the purpose, authority, decision or act by virtue of which it was made. Said order shall be in writing, dated and signed.

ARTICLE 11. Chiefs and officers of the Dominican National Constabulary are obliged to notify the Procuradores Fiscales of all occurrences that night give rise to judicial prosecutions.

ARTICLE 12. Summons and arrest warrants may be delivered to interested parties and enforced by the National Constabulary, but it cannot be employed to carry subpoenas to witnesses required to appear before the courts of repressive jurisdiction, except in cases of urgent and absolute necessity, the number of members of said body who may be utilized in this service to be left to the discretion of the Post Commander.

ARTICLE 13. Officers of every rank of the Dominican National Constabulary are officers of the Judicial Police and assistants of the **Ministerio Público.**

ARTICLE 14. Chiefs and officers in charge of the Dominican National Constabulary may take direct action in cases of **flagrante delito,** but shall make report to the local judicial authorities.

ARTICLE 15. Whenever infractions are punishable with correctional imprisonment or with penalities either afflictive and degrading, or degrading only, the officers of the Dominican National Constabulary, as officers of the Judicial Police, shall receive complaints or charges presented to them.

ARTICLE 16. Except in case of **flagrante delito**, or where, in other cases of **crimen** or **delito**, committed inside a dwelling, the head of the house demands an ocular inspection, the Dominican National Constabulary officers cannot make any preliminary instruction.

ARTICLE 17. The following Dominican National Consabulary officers are hereby authorized, without fee, to administer oaths in matters connected with the Constabulary where the Law so requires or permits:

Colonel Commandant, D. N. C.

Chief of Staff, D. N. C.

Quartermaster General, D. N. C.

Department Heads, D. N. C.

District Inspectors, D. N. C.

Company Commanders, D. N. C.

ARTICLE 18. As often as necessary, the Dominican National Constabulary shall aid the Municipal Police, the **Guardas Campestres** and the **Alcaldes Pedáneos** in the discharge of their respective duties.

ARTICLE 19. The chiefs and officers of the Dominican National Constabulary, in their field inspections, shall ascertain if the **Alcaldes Pedáneos** and **Guardas Campestres** are faithfully complying with the duties of their office, and if not, shall make report to the corresponding administrative and judicial authorities.

ARTICLE 20. For all **crímenes** and **delitos** connected with the service, where civilians are not affected, members of the Dominican National Constabulary shall be tried by Court Martial. **Crímenes** and **delitos** committed by the members of the Dominican National Constabulary outside of their official capacity, or when committed within their official capacity if civilians are affected, shall be tried by the ordinary Courts.

Breaches of discipline shall be punished in accordance with the rules issued for the purpose by the Secretary of Interior and Police in accordance with Article 24 of this Law.

In civil suits agoinst a member of the Dominican National Constabulary he shall be notified only through the Department

of Interior and Police. Said Department shall not obstruct civil suits.

ARTICLE 21. The place of residence of individuals of every grade in the Dominican National Constabulary shall be as directed by competent authority.

ARTICLE 22. Members of the Dominican National Constabulary shall receive such salary as the Budget may indicate.

ARTICLE 23. Members of the Dominican National Constabulary shall not sell, barter, exchange, pledge, loan or give away clothes, arms, or military outfits or accoutrements furnished by the Dominican Republic; and any person other than a member of the Dominican National Constabulary or an official of the Dominican Republic, duly authorized, who has in his possession any such clothes, arms, or military outfits or accoutrements so furnished, and which may have been the subject of any such sale, barter, exchange, pledge, loan or gift, shall have no right, title or interest therein, such effects shall be seized and taken wherever found by any officer of the Dominican National Constabulary or by any other officer empowered to receive them. The possession of any such clothes, arms, or military outfits or accoutrements, by any person not a member of the Dominican National Constabulary, shall be presumptive evidence of such sale, barter, exchange, pledge, loan or gift.

Every person who knowingly purchases or in any other way acquires from any member of the Dominican National Constabulary, or from any other person, the ownership or possession of arms, equipment, ammunition, clothes, military stores of other property for the use of said Constabulary, shall be condemned to correctional imprisonment of from not less than one nor more than two years, or a fine of from not less than one thousand nor more than five thousand dollars, unless it be proved that the person from whom he acquired such ownership or possession had been duly authorized to transfer it.

Officers and enlisted men of the Dominican National Constabulary may purchase, for cash from the Quartermaster General such articles of clothes, clothing and equipment as they may actually need for their personal use provided the issuing officer decides that the property can be spared for the purpose.

When a sale of condemned public property has been authorized, it will be disposed of at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, on due public notice. The officer making the

sale will have the property scheduled and prepared and the sales sufficiently advertised that the best results may be obtained. He may suspend the sale when, in his opinion, better results may be obtained later. No government property will be delivered until payment for same has been made.

Before any article of exterior uniform is sold to civilians, the buttons and other distinguishing marks shall be removed, and it shall be marked with the following "CONDEMNED", giving date of approval of survey, in indelible writing, or printing.

ARTICLE 24. The Secretary of Interior and Police shall have authority to formulate Rules and Regulations not in conflict with this Law or any other Law of the Republic, which shall govern the Dominican National Constabulary in carrying out its powers and duties, and which when approved by the Executive Power, shall have the force and effect of Law.

ARTICLE 25. This Law shall take the place of Executive Orders Nos. 47, 54, 245, 392, 631 and 669.

ARTICLE 26. Wherever the Guardia Nacional Dominicana is referred to in Executive Order No. 527, entitled "LEY SOBRE GUARDAS CAMPESTRES", it shall be underatood as meaning the Dominican National Constabulary.

ARTICLE 27. All laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

S. S. ROBISON,
Rear Admiral, United States Navy,
Military Governor of Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, R. D.,
September 15, 1922.

MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SANTO DOMINGO.

Executive Order No. 801.

TEMPORARY PROVISIONS AFFECTING THE DOMINICAN NATIONAL CONSTABULARY.

By virtue of the powers vested in the Military Government