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### THE MAYOR'S APPEAL FOR A CITY GUARD.

The Mayor of Chichester (Councillor S. A. Garland J.P. has issued a notice informing the citizens that an appeal will shortly be made to them for funds to relieve the distress which must arise owing to the war, and to which he knows a generous response will be made, but in order to prevent any over-lapping and consequent waste he has deferred the issue of an appeal until after the meeting to be held this (Wednesday) morning of the County Committee, convened by His Grace the Duke of Richmond & Gordon, K.G., at the request of the President of the Local Government Board, so that it may be ascertained to what extent money raised by the "National Relief" and other funds will be available for local cases.

#### Formation of a City Guard.

The Mayor had also addressed a letter to "the patriotic men of Chichester" in which he says:

"Knowing that there are many in the City and District who, whilst being unable to entirely devote themselves to public service, are anxious and keen to do something which in case of necessity will render them useful and competent to take their part in the preservation of order and in the defence of their homes, I am calling a Meeting on Thursday next, at 6 p.m., in the Assembly Room, North Street, to consider the formation of a 'City Guard,' to consist of men of 18 years and upwards.

It is felt that a body of men, if trained and disciplined in their spare time by a series of drills, would be, in the case of sudden emergency, a great acquisition to the safety of the city and its inhabitants, and from whose ranks prompt aid could be drawn by the authorities at a time of stress.

I therefore appeal to my fellow citizens of all classes to attend the Meeting to hear further particulars and, I hope, to enroll themselves as Members."