

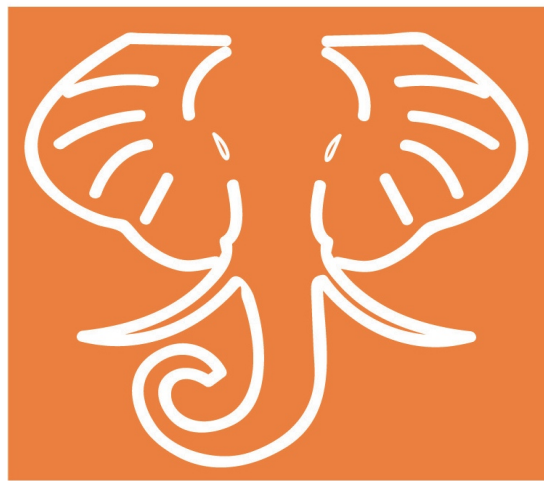
## Laws for the Army and Navy of the Confederate States.

Confederate States of America.

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# ARMY AND NAVY LAWS.

No. 5.—AN ACT to continue in force certain laws of the United States of America.

*Be it enacted by the Confederate States of America in Congress assembled,* That all the laws of the United States of America, in force and in use in the Confederate States of America on the first day of November last, and not inconsistent with the Constitution of the Confederate States, be and the same are hereby continued in force until altered or repealed by the Congress.

U. S. laws consistent with C. S. Constitution to remain in force till altered.

ADOPTED, February 9, 1861.

No. 6.—A RESOLUTION in relation to the occupation of the Forts and Arsenal, &c.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That this government takes under its charge the questions and difficulties now existing between the several States of this Confederacy, and the government of the United States of America, relating to the occupation of forts, arsenals, navy yards and other public establishments; and that the President of the Congress be directed to communicate this resolution to the several States of this Confederacy through the respective governors thereof.

C. S. Government takes charge of question of forts, arsenals, &c.

ADOPTED, February 12, 1861.

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## No. 21.—AN ACT to provide Munitions of War and for other purposes

Secretary of  
War to provide  
munitions of  
war.

*Be it enacted by the Confederate States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President, or the Secretary of War, under his direction, is hereby authorized and empowered to make contracts for the purchase and manufacture of heavy ordnance and small arms; and of machinery for the manufacture or alteration of small arms and munitions of war; and to employ the necessary agents and artisans for these purposes; and to make contracts for the establishment of powder mills and the manufacture of powder; and the President is authorized to make contracts provided for in this act, in such manner and on such terms as in his judgment the public exigencies may require.

APPROVED, February 20, 1861.

## No. 26.—AN ACT to establish the War Department.

War Depart-  
ment.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That an executive department be and the same is hereby established, under the name of the War Department, the chief officer of which shall be called the Secretary of War.

Charge of army  
and Indian  
tribes.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the said secretary shall, under the direction and control of the President, have charge of all matters and things connected with the army, and with the Indian tribes within the limits of the Confederacy, and shall perform such duties appertaining to the army, and to said Indian tribes, as may from time to time be assigned to him by the President.

Chief clerk.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the secretary of said department is hereby authorized to appoint a chief clerk thereof, and as many inferior clerks as may be found necessary, and may be authorized by law.

APPROVED, February 21, 1861.

No. 27.—AN ACT to establish the Navy Department.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That an executive department be and the same is hereby established, to be called the Navy Department. Navy Department.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the chief officer of said department shall be called the Secretary of the Navy, and shall, under the direction and control of the President, have charge of all matters and things connected with the navy of the Confederacy, and shall perform all such duties appertaining to the navy as shall from time to time be assigned to him by the President. Charge of naval affairs.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That said secretary shall be authorized to appoint a chief clerk, and such other clerks as may be found necessary, and be authorized by law. Chief clerk.

APPROVED, February 21, 1861.

No. 33.—AN ACT in relation to Public Printing.

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SECTION 8. The chief officers of the executive departments of the government are hereby authorized to contract for all necessary printing in connection with their several offices, in no case, however, at higher rates of compensation than hereinbefore prescribed for work done for Congress. Chiefs of departments to contract for printing.

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SEC. 10. All accounts for printing done for Congress or any one of the executive departments shall, before the same are allowed and paid, be sworn to by the public printer or contractor; shall be accompanied by vouchers, showing the cost of the paper used and the quantity thereof, and shall be certified to be correctly made out under the law by at least two disinterested practical printers in no way connected with the office or business of the claimant. Accounts for printing to be sworn to by public printer with vouchers.

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SEC. 15. All accounts for printing done, when rendered as hereinbefore provided, shall be audited and allowed by the Superintendent of Public Printing before the same shall be Audited by superintendent before paid.



Appeals to head  
of department.

paid. If the Superintendent shall refuse to receive any work done, or shall refuse to allow any account rendered, the printer or contractor may appeal from such decision to the head of the department, whose decision on the appeal shall be final and conclusive.

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APPROVED, February 27, 1861.

No. 37.—AN ACT for the establishment and organization of a General Staff for the Army of the Confederate States of America.

Departments of  
the staff.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That from and after the passing of this act, the general staff of the army of the Confederate States shall consist of an Adjutant and Inspector General's Department, Quartermaster General's Department, Subsistence Department, and the Medical Department.

Organization of  
adjutant and  
inspector general's  
department.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the Adjutant and Inspector General's Department shall consist of one Adjutant and Inspector General with the rank of colonel, four Assistant Adjutants General with the rank of major, and four Assistant Adjutants General with the rank of captain.

Organizes quar-  
termaster gen-  
eral's depart-  
ment.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the Quartermaster General's Department shall consist of one Quartermaster General with the rank of colonel, six Quartermasters with the rank of major; and as many Assistant Quartermasters as may from time to time be required by the service may be detailed by the War Department from the subalterns of the line, who, in addition to their pay in the line, shall receive twenty dollars per month while engaged in that service. The Quartermasters herein provided for shall also discharge the duties of Paymasters, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

Pay of assistant  
quartermaster  
in addition to  
line pay.  
Quartermasters  
to perform pay  
duties.

Organizes com-  
missary depart-  
ment.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the Commissary General's Department shall consist of one Commissary General with the rank of colonel, four Commissaries with the rank of captain; and as many Assistant Commissaries as may from time to time be required by the service may be detailed by the War Department from the subalterns of the line, who, in addition

to their pay in the line, shall receive twenty dollars per month while engaged in that service. The Assistant Quartermasters and Assistant Commissaries shall be subject to duties in both departments at the same time, but shall not receive the additional compensation but in one department.

Assistant quartermaster and assistant commissary subject to duty in both departments.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the Medical Department shall consist of one Surgeon General with the rank of colonel, four Surgeons with the rank of major, and six Assistant Surgeons with the rank of captain; and as many Assistant Surgeons as the service may require may be employed by the Department of War, and receive the pay of Assistant Surgeons.

Organizes medical department.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That the officers of the Adjutant General's, Quartermaster General's, and Commissary General's Department, though eligible to command, according to the rank they hold in the army of the Confederate States of America, shall not assume command of troops, unless put on duty under orders which specially so direct by authority of the President. The officers of the Medical Department shall not exercise command except in their own department.

General staff not to assume command unless directed.

Authority of medical officers.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That the staff officers herein provided for shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Congress, and shall receive such pay and allowances as shall be hereafter established by law.

Staff to be appointed by President.

APPROVED, February 26, 1861.

No. 43.—AN ACT to raise Provisional Forces for the Confederate States of America, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That to enable the government of the Confederate States to maintain its jurisdiction over all questions of peace and war, and to provide for the public defence, the President be and he is hereby authorized and directed to assume control of all military operations in every State, having reference to or connection with questions between said States, or any of them, and powers foreign to them.

President to control military operations of States.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President is hereby authorized to receive from the several States the arms and munitions of war which have been acquired from the

President to receive arms, &c. from States.

United States, and which are now in the forts, arsenals and navy yards of the said States, and all other arms and munitions which they may desire to turn over and make chargeable to this government.

State troops and volunteers.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the President be authorized to receive into the service of this government such forces now in the service of said States as may be tendered, or who may volunteer, by consent of their State, in such numbers as he may require, for any time not less than twelve months, unless sooner discharged.

Provisional army.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That such forces may be received, with their officers, by companies, battalions or regiments, and when so received shall form a part of the Provisional Army of the Confederate States, according to the terms of their enlistment; and the President shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of Congress, such general officer or officers for said forces as may be necessary for the service.

President to appoint general and other officers.

Provisional troops to be paid as volunteers.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That said forces, when received into the service of this government, shall have the same pay and allowances as may be provided by law for volunteers entering the service, or for the army of the Confederate States, and shall be subject to the same rules and government.

APPROVED, February 28, 1861.

No. 48.—AN ACT to provide for the Public Defence.

President authorized to receive militia, &c. to serve twelve months.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That in order to provide speedily forces to repel invasion, maintain the rightful possession of the Confederate States of America in every portion of territory belonging to each State, and to secure the public tranquility and independence against threatened assault, the President be and he is hereby authorized to employ the militia, military and naval forces of the Confederate States of America, and to ask for and accept the services of any number of volunteers, not exceeding one hundred thousand, who may offer their services, either as cavalry, mounted riflemen, artillery or infantry, in such proportion of these several arms as he may deem expe-

dient, to serve for twelve months after they shall be mustered into service, unless sooner discharged.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the militia, when called into service by virtue of this act or any other act, if in the opinion of the President the public interest requires, may be compelled to serve for a term not exceeding six months after they shall be mustered into service, unless sooner discharged.

Militia may be compelled to serve six months.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That said volunteers shall furnish their own clothes, and, if mounted men, their own horses and horse equipments; and, when mustered into service, shall be armed by the States from which they come, or by the Confederate States of America.

Volunteers furnish clothes and horses, and to be armed by government.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That said volunteers shall, when called into actual service, and while remaining therein, be subject to the rules and articles of war, and instead of clothing, every non-commissioned officer and private in any company shall be entitled, when called into actual service, to money in a sum equal to the cost of clothing of a non-commissioned officer or private in the regular army of the Confederate States of America.

Volunteers subject to rules and articles of war, and be entitled to money in lieu of clothing.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the said volunteers so offering their services may be accepted by the President in companies, squadrons, battalions and regiments, whose officers shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by law in the several States to which they shall respectively belong; but when inspected, mustered and received into the service of the Confederate States, said troops shall be regarded in all respects as a part of the army of said Confederate States, according to the terms of their respective enlistments.

Received by companies, &c., officers appointed under State laws.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the President is hereby authorized to organize companies so tendering their services into battalions or squadrons, battalions or squadrons into regiments, regiments into brigades, and brigades into divisions, whenever in his judgment such organization may be expedient; and whenever brigades or divisions shall be organized, the President shall appoint the commanding officers for such brigades and divisions, subject to the confirmation of Congress, who shall hold their offices only while such brigades and divisions are in service; and the President shall, if necessary, apportion the staff and general officers among the re-

President to organize, appoint officers, apportion staff and general officers among States.

spective States from which the volunteers shall tender their services, as he may deem proper.

Same organization and pay as regular army.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever the militia or volunteers are called and received into the service of the Confederate States, under the provisions of this act, they shall have the same organization, and shall have the same pay and allowances as may be provided for the regular army; and all mounted non-commissioned officers, privates, musicians and artificers shall be allowed forty cents per day for the use and risk of their horses; and if any volunteer shall not keep himself provided with a serviceable horse, such volunteer shall serve on foot. For horses killed in action, volunteers shall be allowed compensation according to their appraised value at the date of muster into service.

Forty cents a day to mounted volunteers.

Pay for horses killed in action.

Organization of battalion and of company.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the field and staff officers of a separate battalion of volunteers shall be one lieutenant-colonel or major, one adjutant with the rank of lieutenant, one sergeant-major, one quartermaster sergeant, and a chief bugler or principal musician, according to corps; and that each company shall be entitled to an additional second lieutenant; and that the President may limit the privates in any volunteer company, according to his discretion, at from sixty-four to one hundred.

President to increase general staff.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That when volunteers or militia are called into the service of the Confederate States in such numbers that the officers of the quartermaster, commissary and medical departments, which may be authorized by law for the regular service, are not sufficient to provide for the supplying, quartering, transporting and furnishing them with the requisite medical attendance, it shall be lawful for the President to appoint, with the advice and consent of the Congress, as many additional officers of said departments as the service may require, not exceeding one commissary and one quartermaster for each brigade, with the rank of major, and one assistant quartermaster with the rank of captain, one assistant commissary with the rank of captain, one surgeon and one assistant surgeon for each regiment; the said quartermasters and commissaries, assistant quartermasters and commissaries, to give bonds with good sureties for the faithful performance of their duties; the said officers to be allowed the same pay and emoluments as shall be allowed to officers of the same grade in

Bonds to be given.

the regular service, and to be subject to the rules and articles of war, and to continue in service only so long as their services may be required in connection with the militia or volunteers.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to purchase or charter, arm, equip and man such merchant vessels and steam ships or boats as may be found fit or easily converted into armed vessels, and in such number as he may deem necessary for the protection of the seaboard and the general defence of the country.

Purchase or charter of vessels for defence.

APPROVED, March 6, 1861.

No. 51.—AN ACT to establish and organize a Bureau in connection with the Department of the Treasury, to be known as the Lighthouse Bureau.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States do enact*, That there shall be established in connection with the Department of the Treasury a bureau, to be known as the Lighthouse Bureau. The chief officer of such bureau shall be a captain or commander of the navy, detailed for this service by order of the President of the Confederate States, who shall receive as his compensation the same pay allowed to officers of the same rank in the navy. There shall be appointed also a chief clerk, with a salary of twelve hundred dollars, and accounting clerk, with a salary of one thousand dollars.

Chief officer of Lighthouse Bureau—his pay.

Chief clerk.

SEC. 2. All lighthouses, light vessels, buoys, and other aids to navigation, all the officers connected therewith, and all matters connected with the construction, repair, illumination, inspection and government thereof, and all duties appertaining to the administration of lighthouse affairs, shall be under the direction and control of the Lighthouse Bureau hereby established, subject at all times to the superintendence of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Duties of Bureau.

SEC. 3. The chief of the bureau shall, as soon as possible, divide the sea coasts of the Confederate States into districts not exceeding five in number, as the Secretary of the Treasury may deem expedient, and over each of these districts the President shall appoint an inspector, to be selected from the lieutenants in the navy, who shall discharge all the duties of

Inspector for each district.

inspection, survey or otherwise, which may be required of him by the chief of the bureau. For these services the inspectors shall receive only their regular pay in the navy.

Engineer officers to perform Lighthouse duty.

SEC. 4. The President of the Confederate States may from time to time, at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, detail one or more of the officers of the engineer corps of the army, to be employed under the direction of the Lighthouse Bureau, in superintending the construction or repair of lighthouses or other necessary structures in connection with the lighthouse establishment, or other similar duty assigned by the Lighthouse Bureau in connection therewith.

Chief to make annual report.

SEC. 5. The chief of the bureau shall at least once every year make a full report to the Secretary of the Treasury, giving a full statement of the operations of the lighthouse establishment. He shall also from time to time give such information to the Secretary of the Treasury as he may require in reference to his bureau.

SEC. 6. All laws and parts of laws contravening the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, March 6, 1861.

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No. 52.—AN ACT for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States of America.

Corps of army.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That from and after the passage of this act the military establishment of the Confederate States shall be composed of one corps of engineers, one corps of artillery, six regiments of infantry, one regiment of cavalry, and of the staff departments already established by law.

Engineer corps organized—sappers and miners.

SEC. 2. The corps of engineers shall consist of one colonel, four majors, five captains, and one company of sappers, miners and pontoniers, which shall consist of ten sergeants or master workmen, ten corporals or overseers, two musicians, and thirty-nine privates of the first class, or artificers, and thirty-nine privates of the second class, or laborers, making in all one hundred.

Officers of sappers and miners and their duties.

Sec. 3. The said company shall be officered by one captain of the corps of engineers, and as many lieutenants, to be

selected by the President from the line of the army, as he may deem necessary for the service, and shall be instructed in and perform all the duties of sappers, miners and pontoniers, and shall, moreover, under the orders of the chief engineer, be liable to serve by detachments in overseeing and aiding laborers upon fortifications or other works, under the engineer department, and in supervising finished fortifications, as fortkeepers, preventing injury and making repairs.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the colonel of the engineer corps, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, to prescribe the number, quantity, form, dimensions, &c., of the necessary vehicles, arms, pontons, tools, implements, and other supplies for the service of the said company as a body of sappers, miners and pontoniers.

Implements of sappers and miners.

SEC. 5. The Corps of Artillery, which shall also be charged with ordnance duties, shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, ten majors, and forty companies of artillerists and artificers, and each company shall consist of one captain, two first lieutenants, one second lieutenant, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians and seventy privates. There shall also be one adjutant, to be selected by the colonel from the first lieutenants, and one sergeant-major, to be selected from the enlisted men of the corps. The President may equip as light batteries, of six pieces each, such of these companies as he may deem expedient, not exceeding four, in time of peace.

Organization of Artillery.

Adjutant.

Light batteries.

SEC. 6. Each regiment of infantry shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, one major and ten companies; each company shall consist of one captain, one first lieutenant, two second lieutenants, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians and ninety privates; and to each regiment there shall be attached one adjutant, to be selected from the lieutenants, and one sergeant-major, to be selected from the enlisted men of the regiment.

Organization of Regiment of Infantry.

SEC. 7. The regiment of cavalry shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one major and ten companies, each of which shall consist of one captain, one first lieutenant, two second lieutenants, four sergeants, four corporals, one farrier, one blacksmith, two musicians and sixty privates. There shall also be one adjutant and one sergeant-major, to be selected as aforesaid.

Organization of Regiment of Cavalry.

Adjutant and sergeant-major.



Brigadier generals.

SEC. 8. There shall be four brigadier-generals, who shall be assigned to such commands and duties as the President may specially direct, and shall be entitled to one aid-de-camp each, to be selected from the subalterns of the line of the army, who, in addition to their duties as aids-de-camp, may perform the duties of assistant adjutant-general.

Aids-de-camp.

Officers appointed by President.

SEC. 9. All officers of the army shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Congress, and the rank and file shall be enlisted for a term not less than three nor more than five years, under such regulations as may be established.

Enlistments not for more than five nor less than three years.

Officers to be examined.

SEC. 10. No officer shall be appointed in the army until he shall have passed an examination satisfactory to the President, and in such manner as he may prescribe, as to his character and fitness for the service. The President, however, shall have power to postpone this examination for one year after appointment, if in his judgment necessary for the public interest.

Promotion by seniority to include rank of colonel.

SEC. 11. All vacancies in established regiments and corps, to and including the rank of colonel, shall be filled by promotion according to seniority, except in case of disability or other incompetency. Promotions to and including the rank of colonel shall be made regimentally in the infantry and cavalry, in the staff departments, and in the engineers and artillery, according to corps. Appointments to the rank of brigadier-general, after the army is organized, shall be made by selection from the army.

Promotion to include colonel to be regimentally and according to corps.

Brigadier generals selected.

Meritorious non-commissioned officers may be appointed subalterns.

SEC. 12. The President of the Confederate States is hereby authorized to appoint to the lowest grade of subaltern officers such meritorious non-commissioned officers as may, upon the recommendation of their colonels and company officers, be brought before an army board, specially convened for the purpose, and found qualified for the duties of commissioned officers, and to attach them to regiments of corps, as supernumerary officers, if there be no vacancies: *Provided*, There shall not be more than one so attached to any one company at the same time.

Proviso.

Pay of brigadier general and of aid in addition to regular pay.

SEC. 13. The pay of a brigadier-general shall be three hundred and one dollars per month. The aid-de-camp of a brigadier-general, in addition to his pay as lieutenant, shall receive thirty-five dollars per month.

SEC. 14. The monthly pay of the officers of the corps of engineers shall be as follows: of the colonel, two hundred and ten dollars; of a major, one hundred and sixty-two dollars; of a captain, one hundred and forty dollars; lieutenants serving with the company of sappers and miners shall receive the pay of cavalry officers of the same grade.

Pay of engineers.

Lieutenants with sappers and miners.

SEC. 15. The monthly pay of the colonel of the corps of artillery shall be two hundred and ten dollars; of a lieutenant-colonel, one hundred and eighty-five dollars; of a major, one hundred and fifty dollars, and when serving on ordnance duty, one hundred and sixty-two dollars; of a captain, one hundred and thirty dollars; of a first lieutenant, ninety dollars; of a second lieutenant, eighty dollars; and the adjutant shall receive, in addition to his pay as lieutenant, ten dollars per month. Officers of artillery, serving in the light artillery, or performing ordnance duty, shall receive the same pay as officers of cavalry of the same grade.

Pay of artillery.

Adjutant ten dollars additional.

Officers on ordnance duty or with light artillery, cavalry pay.

SEC. 16. The monthly pay of the officers of the infantry shall be as follows: of a colonel, one hundred and ninety-five dollars; of a lieutenant-colonel, one hundred and seventy dollars; of a major, one hundred and fifty dollars; of a captain, one hundred and thirty dollars; of a first lieutenant, ninety dollars; of a second lieutenant, eighty dollars; the adjutant, in addition to his pay as lieutenant, ten dollars.

Pay of infantry.

Adjutant ten dollars additional.

SEC. 17. The monthly pay of the officers of the cavalry shall be as follows: of a colonel, two hundred and ten dollars; of a lieutenant-colonel, one hundred and eighty-five dollars; a major, one hundred and sixty-two dollars; a captain, one hundred and forty dollars; a first lieutenant, one hundred dollars; a second lieutenant, ninety dollars; the adjutant, ten dollars per month, in addition to his pay as lieutenant.

Pay of cavalry.

Adjutant ten dollars additional.

SEC. 18. The pay of the officers of the general staff, except those of the medical department, shall be the same as that of officers of cavalry of the same grade. The surgeon-general shall receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars, which shall be in full of all pay and allowances, except fuel and quarters. The monthly pay of a surgeon, of ten years' service in that grade, shall be two hundred dollars; a surgeon of less than ten years' service in that grade, one hundred and sixty-two dollars; an assistant surgeon of ten years' service in that grade, one hundred and fifty dollars; an assistant surgeon of

General staff except medical department, cavalry pay. Surgeon general.

Surgeon of ten years.  
Surgeon less than ten years.

Assistant surgeon five years.  
Assistant surgeon less than five years.

Nine dollars per month for every five years.

This extended to resigned officers of U. S.

General commanding in field one hundred dollars.

Pay in full.

Forage, fuel and quarters.

Eight dollars for forage.

Horses to be mustered.  
Commutation of quarters.  
Mileage.

Allowance of horses.

Proviso.

No enlisted man to be employed as servant.

five years' service in that grade, one hundred and thirty dollars; and an assistant surgeon of less than five years' service, one hundred and ten dollars.

SEC. 19. There shall be allowed, in addition to the pay hereinbefore provided, to every commissioned officer, except the surgeon-general, nine dollars per month for every five years' service; and to the officers of the army of the United States, who have resigned or may resign to be received into the service of the Confederate States, this additional pay shall be allowed from the date of their entrance into the former service. There shall also be an additional monthly allowance to every general officer commanding in chief a separate army actually in the field, of one hundred dollars.

SEC. 20. The pay of officers as hereinbefore established shall be in full of all allowances, except forage, fuel, quarters and travelling expenses while travelling under orders. The allowance of forage, fuel and quarters shall be fixed by regulations, and shall be furnished in kind, except when officers are serving at stations without troops where public quarters cannot be had, in which case they may be allowed, in lieu of forage, eight dollars per month for each horse to which they may be entitled, provided they are actually kept in service and mustered, and quarters may be commuted at the rate to be fixed by the Secretary of War, and fuel at the market price delivered. An officer when travelling under orders shall be allowed mileage at the rate of ten cents per mile.

SEC. 21. In time of war, officers of the army shall be entitled to draw forage for horses, according to grade, as follows: A brigadier-general, four; the adjutant and inspector-general, quartermaster-general, commissary-general, and the colonels of engineers, artillery, infantry and cavalry, three each; all lieutenant-colonels and majors, and captains of the general staff, engineer corps, light artillery and cavalry, three each; lieutenants serving in the corps of engineers, lieutenants of light artillery and of cavalry, two each. In time of peace: general and field officers, three; officers below the rank of field officers, in the general staff, corps of engineers, light artillery and cavalry, two: *Provided* in all cases that the horses are actually kept in service and mustered. No enlisted man in the service of the Confederate States shall be employed as a servant by any officer of the army.

SEC. 22. The monthly pay of the enlisted men of the army of the Confederate States shall be as follows: That of a sergeant or master workman of the engineer corps, thirty-four dollars; that of a corporal or overseer, twenty dollars; privates of the first class, or artificers, seventeen dollars; and privates of the second class, or laborers, and musicians, thirteen dollars. The sergeant-major of cavalry, twenty-one dollars; first sergeants, twenty dollars; sergeants, seventeen dollars; corporals, farriers and blacksmiths, thirteen dollars; musicians, thirteen dollars, and privates, twelve dollars. Sergeants-major of artillery and infantry, twenty-one dollars; first sergeants, twenty dollars each; sergeants, seventeen dollars; corporals and artificers, thirteen dollars; musicians, twelve dollars, and privates eleven dollars each. The non-commissioned officers, artificers, musicians and privates serving in light batteries shall receive the same pay as those of cavalry.

Pay of enlisted men.

SEC. 23. The President shall be authorized to enlist as many master armorers, master carriage-makers, master blacksmiths, armorers, carriage makers, blacksmiths, artificers, and laborers, for ordinance service, as he may deem necessary, not exceeding in all one hundred men, who shall be attached to the corps of artillery. The pay of a master armorer, master carriage-maker, master blacksmith, shall be thirty-four dollars per month; armorers, carriage-makers and blacksmiths, twenty dollars per month; artificers, seventeen dollars, and laborers, thirteen dollars per month.

Artificers, &amp;c., of ordinance.

Pay of.

SEC. 24. Each enlisted man of the army of the Confederate States shall receive one ration per day, and a yearly allowance of clothing, the quantity and kind of each to be established by regulations from the War Department, to be approved by the President.

Rations to enlisted men.

Clothing.

SEC. 25. Rations shall generally be issued in kind, but under circumstances rendering a commutation necessary. The commutation value of the ration shall be fixed by regulations of the War Department, to be approved by the President.

Commutation of rations to be fixed by War Department.

SEC. 26. The officers appointed in the army of the Confederate States by virtue of this act, shall perform all military duties to which they may be severally assigned by authority of the President, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War to prepare and publish regulations, prescribing the details of every department in the service, for the general government of

Officers to perform all duties to which assigned.

Regulations to be published.

the army, which regulations shall be approved by the President, and when so approved shall be binding.

Officers of quartermaster and commissary departments to give bonds.

SEC. 27. All officers of the quartermaster's and commissary departments shall, previous to entering on the duties of their respective offices, give bonds with good and sufficient sureties to the Confederate States, in such sum as the Secretary of War shall direct, fully to account for all moneys and public property which they may receive.

Quartermasters and commissaries not to be concerned in supplies.

SEC. 28. Neither the quartermaster-general, the commissary-general, nor any or either of their assistants, shall be concerned, directly or indirectly, in the purchase or sale of any articles intended for, making a part of, or appertaining to public supplies, except for and on account of the Confederate States; nor shall they, or either of them, take or apply to his or their own use any gain or emolument for negotiating any business in their respective departments, other than what is or may be allowed by law.

Nor apply to themselves any gain.

U. S. articles of war to be of force.

SEC. 29. The Rules and Articles of War established by the laws of the United States of America for the government of the army are hereby declared to be of force, except that wherever the words "United States" occur, the words "Confederate States" shall be substituted therefor; and except that the articles of war numbers sixty-one and sixty-two are hereby abrogated, and the following articles substituted therefor:

Except.

Brevet commissions.

ARTICLE 61. Officers having brevets or commissions of a prior date to those of the corps in which they serve will take place on courts martial or of inquiry, and on boards detailed for military purposes, when composed of different corps, according to the ranks given them in their brevet or former commissions, but in the regiment, corps, or company to which such officers belong, they shall do duty and take rank, both in courts and on boards as aforesaid, which shall be composed of their own corps, according to the commission by which they are there mustered.

Officer of highest rank to command unless assigned by President.

ARTICLE 62. If upon marches, guards, or in quarters, different corps shall happen to join or do duty together, the officer highest in rank, according to the commission by which he is mustered in the army, navy, marine corps, or militia, there on duty by orders from competent authority, shall command the whole and give orders for what is needful for the service, unless otherwise directed by the President of the Confederate States in orders of special assignment providing for the case.

SEC. 30. The President shall call into the service of the Confederate States only so many of the troops herein provided for as he may deem the safety of the Confederacy may require.

President to call sufficient troops to secure safety.

SEC. 31. All laws or parts of laws of the United States, which have been adopted by the Congress of the Confederate States, repugnant to or inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed.

Repeals laws inconsistent.

APPROVED, March 6, 1861.

No. 53.—AN ACT to create the Clerical Force of the several Executive Departments of the Confederate States of America, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the clerical force of the several departments of the Confederate States of America shall consist of the following officers :

Fixes clerical force.

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To the War Department there shall be a chief of the bureau of war, at an annual salary of three thousand dollars, and five clerks, who shall each receive twelve hundred dollars per annum; and one of them may be appointed disbursing clerk, with an additional salary of six hundred dollars, who shall give bond with sureties to be approved by the Secretary of War. There shall also be one messenger, whose compensation shall be five hundred dollars per annum. And to all of the bureaus of the War Department, viz: the adjutant and inspector-general, quartermaster general, the commissary-general, the surgeon-general, the chief engineer and the artillery, there shall be fourteen clerks, seven of whom shall receive each a salary of twelve hundred dollars, and seven a salary each of one thousand dollars per annum.

Chief clerk of War Department—his pay.

Clerks.

Bonds.

Messenger.

Clerks of departments.

Pay of.

And the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to assign said clerks to duty in the respective offices enumerated, as in his judgment will best promote the public service. And to each of said named bureaus, except the office of surgeon-general, there shall be, if deemed necessary by the Secretary of

Secretary of War to assign clerks.

Messenger to each bureau except surgeon general at \$500.

War, a messenger, at an annual compensation of five hundred dollars.

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Departments authorized to employ other clerks and laborers.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretaries of State, Treasury, War, Navy, Attorney-General, and Postmaster-General, are hereby authorized to employ such other clerical force in their respective departments as the exigencies of the public service may absolutely require, being limited in the compensation to the lower grade of salary for clerks provided for in this bill; they are also empowered to employ such laborers for their respective offices as may be required, not exceeding one for each of the executive departments, and whose compensation shall not exceed one dollar and fifty cents per day.

APPROVED, March 7, 1861.

No. 55.—AN ACT to create the clerical force of the Navy Department.

Clerical force of Navy Department.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the clerical force of the Navy Department shall consist of one chief clerk, at a salary of fifteen hundred dollars per annum, who shall also perform the duties of disbursing agent and corresponding clerk of said department, and receive therefor an extra compensation of six hundred dollars per annum; and also three other clerks, two of whom shall receive a salary each of twelve hundred dollars per annum, and one a salary of one thousand dollars per annum; and there shall be attached to said department a messenger, whose annual compensation shall be five hundred dollars.

Messenger.

APPROVED, March 8, 1861.

No. 62.—AN ACT making appropriations for the support of Three Thousand Men for twelve months, to be called into service at Charleston, South Carolina, under the third and fourth sections of an act of the Congress "To raise Provisional Forces for the Confederate States of America and for other purposes."

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the following appropriations be made

for the support of the provisional troops called into service by the act aforesaid: Pay of the troops, six hundred and fifty-eight thousand six hundred and eighty dollars. Forage for officers' horses and quartermasters' animals and cavalry horses, twenty thousand six hundred and sixty-two dollars. Subsistence for troops, two hundred and seventy thousand dollars. Clothing for the troops, two hundred thousand dollars. Camp and garrison equipage, eighteen thousand two hundred and sixty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents. Supplies for the quartermaster's department, seventy-six thousand one hundred and sixty dollars. Fuel for troops and hospitals, fifty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven dollars. Medical and hospital department, twenty thousand dollars.

Appropriation for troops called into service at Charleston, S. C.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the additional sum of eight hundred and sixty-thousand two hundred and twenty-eight dollars and forty-five cents is hereby appropriated for the support of two thousand additional troops to be called into the service of the Confederate States for twelve months, at Charleston, South Carolina, whenever in the discretion of the President their services may be required.

Additional appropriation.

APPROVED, March 11, 1861.

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No. 63.—AN ACT making appropriations for the support of the Regular Army of the Confederate States of America for twelve months, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, that the following appropriations are made

Support of regular army for twelve months.

for the support of the regular army for twelve months, viz:

For expenses of recruiting and for transportation of recruits, one hundred and ninety-two thousand five hundred dollars.

Recruiting.

Pay of the army, two millions seventy thousand four hundred and eighty-four dollars. Forage for officers' horses and for cavalry and light artillery horses, one hundred and seven thousand

Pay.

Forage.

two hundred dollars. Subsistence for troops, nine hundred and twelve thousand five hundred dollars. Clothing for the army, six hundred and forty-eight thousand seven hundred and eighty

Subsistence.

Clothing.

dollars. Camp and garrison equipage, sixty thousand dollars.

Camp equipage.

Supplies for the quartermaster's department—consisting of fuel



Supplies for  
quartermaster's  
department.

for the officers, enlisted men, guards, hospitals, store-houses and officers; of forage in kind for horses, mules and oxen of the quartermaster's department, at the several posts and stations and with the armies in the field; of postage on letters and packages received and sent by officers of the army on public services; expenses of courts martial and courts of inquiry, including the additional compensation of judge advocates, recorders, members and witnesses, while in that service; extra pay to soldiers employed under the direction of the quartermaster's department in the erection of barracks, quarters, store-houses and hospitals, for constant labor for periods of not less than ten days, including those employed as clerks; expense of interment of officers killed in action, or who die when on duty in the field, or at the posts on the frontiers, and of non-commissioned officers and soldiers; authorized office furniture; hire of laborers in the quartermaster's department; compensation of clerks of the officers of the quartermaster's department; for the apprehension of deserters and the expenses incident to their pursuit; for the following expenses required for the regiment of cavalry and for the four batteries of light artillery: namely, the purchase of travelling forges, blacksmith's and shoeing tools, horse and mule shoes and nails, iron and steel for shoeing; medicine for horses and mules; picket ropes, and for shoeing the horses of the corps named—three hundred and fifty-three thousand nine hundred and fifty-six dollars. For constructing barracks and other buildings at posts which it may be necessary to occupy during the year, and for repairing, altering and enlarging buildings at the established posts, including hire or commutation of quarters for officers on military duty, hire of quarters for troops, of store-houses for the safe keeping of military stores, and of grounds for summer cantonments and for temporary frontier stations, for commutation of forage for officers' horses when it cannot be drawn in kind, three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For mileage, or the allowance made to officers of the army for the transportation of themselves and their baggage when travelling on duty without troops, escorts or supplies, thirty-five thousand dollars: *Provided*, That mileage shall not be allowed when the officer has been transferred or relieved at his own request. For transportation of the army—including the baggage of the troops when moving either by land or water, of horse equipments, and of subsistence—

Mileage.

Proviso.

from the places of purchase, and from the places of delivery under contract, to such places as the circumstances of the service may require them to be sent, of ordnance, ordnance stores and small arms, freights, wharfage, tools, and ferriages, hire of horses, mules and oxen, and the purchase and repair of wagons, carts and drays, and of ships and other sea-going vessels required for the transportation of supplies and for garrison purposes, for drayage and cartage at the several posts, hire of teamsters, transportation of funds for the disbursing departments, the expense of public transports on the various rivers, the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic, six hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For the purchase of horses for the regiment of cavalry and four batteries of light artillery, one hundred and sixty-three thousand two hundred dollars. Contingencies of the army, fifteen thousand dollars. For the medical and hospital departments, seventy-five thousand dollars. Contingencies of the adjutant-general's department, six hundred dollars. Armament of fortifications and purchase of light artillery, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Purchase, manufacture and alteration of small arms, four hundred and fifty thousand dollars. For ordnance, ordnance stores and supplies, including horse equipments for the regiment of cavalry and for light batteries, one hundred and ninety-nine thousand five hundred and forty dollars.

Contingencies.  
 Medical department.  
 Adjutant-general's office.  
 Armament and purchase of artillery.  
 Arms, &c.  
 Ordnance.  
 Horses.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of War, under the direction of the President, be, and he is hereby authorized to apply any portion of the appropriations made by this act to the support of the provisional forces which may be called into service, whenever in his opinion the same may be necessary.

President may apply any portion to provisional army.

APPROVED, March 11, 1861.

No. 66.—AN ACT making Appropriations to carry out the provisions of "An act to provide for the Public Defence."

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That to enable the President to carry into effect the provisions of the act of the Congress of the Confederate States, entitled "An act to provide for the public defence," and to

Appropriation to carry out act March 6th.

provide for the pay, subsistence and transportation of such volunteer forces as may be called into service by authority of the said act, the sum of five millions of dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated from any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 12, 1861.

No. 67.—AN ACT amendatory of an Act for the organization of the Staff Departments of the Army, and an Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States of America.

Re-organizes the adjutant and inspector-general's department.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the adjutant and inspector-general's department shall consist of two assistant adjutants-general with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, two assistant adjutants-general with the rank of major, and four assistant adjutants-general with the rank of captain.

Adds one brigadier.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That there shall be added one brigadier-general to those heretofore authorized by law, and that any one of the brigadier-generals of the army of the Confederate States may be assigned to the duty of the adjutant and inspector-general, at the discretion of the President.

President may assign brigadier to duty of adjutant and inspector-general.

Re-organizes quartermaster-general's department.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the quartermaster-general's department shall consist of one quartermaster-general with the rank of colonel, one assistant quartermaster-general with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, four assistant quartermasters with the rank of major, and such other officers in that department as are already provided by law.

Re-organizes commissary-general's department.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general's department shall consist of one commissary-general with the rank of colonel, one commissary with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, one commissary with the rank of major, and three commissaries with the rank of captain; and as many assistant commissaries as may from time to time be required by the service may be detailed by the War Department from the subalterns of the line, who, in addition to their pay in the line, shall receive twenty dollars per month while engaged in that service.

Assistants to be detailed with additional pay of twenty dollars.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That in all cases of officers who have resigned, or who may within six months tender their resignations from the Army of the United States, and who have been or may be appointed to original vacancies in the Army of the Confederate States, the commissions issued shall bear one and the same date, so that the relative rank of officers of each grade shall be determined by the former commissions in the United States Army, held anterior to the secession of these Confederate States from the United States.

Commissions of officers resigned from United States.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That every officer, non-commissioned officer, musician and private shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation, to wit: "I, A. B., do solemnly swear or affirm (as the case may be) that while I continue in the service I will bear true faith and yield obedience to the Confederate States of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against their enemies, and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the Confederate States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the rules and articles of war."

Oath of officers and men.

SEC. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That all laws and parts of laws militating against this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Repeals all laws militating against.

APPROVED, March 14, 1861.

No. 70.—AN ACT to provide for the organization of the Navy.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be authorized to appoint, in the manner prescribed by law, the following Commissioned Officers of the Navy, viz: Four captains, four commanders, thirty lieutenants, five surgeons, five assistant surgeons, six paymasters and two chief engineers, and to employ as many masters, midshipmen, engineers, naval constructors, boatswains, gunners, carpenters, sailmakers and other warrant and petty officers and seamen as he may deem necessary, not to exceed in the aggregate three thousand.

Organizes navy.

SEC. 2. The annual pay of said officers shall be as follows, viz:

*Captains*, when commanding squadrons, five thousand dollars. Pay.

All other captains on duty at sea, four thousand two hundred dollars.

On other duty, three thousand six hundred dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, three thousand dollars.

Pay

*Commanders.*—Every commander on duty at sea, for the first five years after the date of his commission, two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, three thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

Every commander on other duty, for the first five years after the date of his commission, two thousand six hundred and sixty-two dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five dollars.

All other commanders, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

Lieutenants commanding at sea, two thousand five hundred and fifty dollars.

Pay

*Lieutenants.*—Every lieutenant on duty at sea, one thousand five hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen seven years' sea service in the navy, one thousand seven hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen nine years' sea service, one thousand nine hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen eleven years' sea service, two thousand one hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen thirteen years' sea service, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

Every lieutenant on other duty shall receive one thousand five hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen seven years' sea service in the navy, one thousand six hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen nine years' sea service, one thousand seven hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen eleven years' sea service, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen thirteen years' sea service, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

Every lieutenant on leave or waiting orders, one thousand two hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen seven years' sea service in the navy, one thousand two hundred and sixty-six dollars.

After he shall have seen nine years' sea service, one thousand three hundred and thirty-three dollars.

After he shall have seen eleven years' sea service, one thousand and four hundred dollars.

After he shall have seen thirteen years' sea service, one thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

*Masters.*—Every master in the line of promotion, when on Pay-duty as such at sea, one thousand two hundred dollars.

When on other duty, one thousand one hundred dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, eight hundred and twenty-five dollars.

*Midshipmen.*—Every midshipman at sea, five hundred and fifty dollars.

When on other duty, five hundred dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, four hundred and fifty dollars.

*Surgeons.*—Every surgeon on duty at sea, for the first five Pay-years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand two hundred dollars.

For the second five years' after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

For twenty years' service and upward, after the date of his commission as surgeon, three thousand dollars.

Fleet surgeons, three thousand three hundred dollars.

Every surgeon on other duty, for the first five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand two hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For twenty years' service after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

Every surgeon on leave or waiting orders, for the first five

years after the date of his commission as surgeon, one thousand six hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, one thousand nine hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand one hundred dollars.

For twenty years' service and upwards, after the date of his commission as surgeon, two thousand three hundred dollars.

Pay.

*Assistant Surgeons.*—Every assistant surgeon on duty at sea, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

When on other duty, one thousand and fifty dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, eight hundred dollars.

Pay.

*Paymasters.*—Every paymaster on duty at sea, for the first five years after the date of his commission, two thousand dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission, two thousand nine hundred dollars.

For twenty years and upwards after the date of his commission, three thousand one hundred dollars.

Every paymaster on other duty, for the first five years after the date of his commission, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, two thousand one hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, two thousand four hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission, two thousand six hundred dollars.

For twenty years' service and upwards, after the date of his commission, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

Every paymaster on leave or waiting orders, for the first five years after the date of his commission, one thousand four hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, one thousand six hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the fourth five years after the date of his commission, two thousand dollars.

For twenty years' service and upwards, after the date of his commission, two thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

*Engineers.*—Every chief engineer on duty, for the first five Pay. years after the date of his commission, one thousand eight hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, two thousand two hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, two thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

After fifteen years after the date of his commission, two thousand six hundred dollars.

Every chief engineer on leave or waiting orders, for the first five years after the date of his commission, one thousand two hundred dollars.

For the second five years after the date of his commission, one thousand three hundred dollars.

For the third five years after the date of his commission, one thousand four hundred dollars.

After fifteen years' service after the date of his commission, one thousand five hundred dollars.

Every first assistant engineer on duty, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, nine hundred dollars.

Every second assistant engineer on duty, one thousand dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

Every third assistant engineer on duty, seven hundred and fifty dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders, six hundred dollars.

*Warrant Officers.*—Every boatswain, gunner, carpenter and Pay. sail-maker on duty at sea, for the first three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand dollars.

For the second three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand one hundred and fifty dollars.

For the third three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.



For the fourth three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand three hundred and fifty dollars.

For twelve years' sea service and upwards, one thousand four hundred and fifty dollars.

When on other duty :

For the first three years of sea service after the date of his warrant, eight hundred dollars.

For the second three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, nine hundred dollars.

For the third three years of sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand dollars.

For the fourth three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, one thousand one hundred dollars.

For twelve years' sea service and upwards, one thousand two hundred dollars.

When on leave or waiting orders :

For the first three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, six hundred dollars.

For the second three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, seven hundred dollars.

For the third three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, eight hundred dollars.

For the fourth three years' sea service after the date of his warrant, nine hundred dollars.

For twelve years' sea service and upwards, one thousand dollars.

President's appointments to hold until next session.

*And be it further enacted,* That the commissioned officers hereinbefore provided for, and who shall not be nominated before the adjournment of Congress, may be appointed by the President during the recess, to hold their commissions until the next session of Congress.

Computing length of service.

SEC. 3. In computing the length of service of such officers as were attached to the navy of the United States, but who have resigned, and have been or may be received into the service of the Confederate States, their period of service in the navy of the United States shall be included, and no service shall be regarded as sea service in the purview of said act but such as shall be actually performed at sea, and in vessels employed by authority of law.

Service at sea regarded as sea service.

Seamen's pay.

SEC. 4. The pay of seamen of the navy shall be determined by the President, and may be altered by him from time to time as circumstances may require.

SEC. 5. There shall be a corps of marines, to consist of one major, one quartermaster, one paymaster, one adjutant, one sergeant-major, one quartermaster-sergeant, and six companies; each company to consist of one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, four sergeants, four corporals, one hundred men and two musicians; and the pay and allowances of the officers and enlisted men shall be the same as that of the officers and enlisted men of like grade in the infantry of the army, except that the ration of the enlisted marines shall be the ration allowed by law to seamen.

Organization of  
corps of ma-  
rines.

Pay.

SEC. 6. The following officers shall be attached to the Navy Department, to wit: An officer, not below the grade of commander, who shall be charged with the purchase or preparation of ordnance, ordnance stores and supplies and equipments, and with hydrography, and with such other duties as the Secretary of the Navy may from time to time assign to him; an officer not below the grade of lieutenant, to be designated as the officer of orders and detail, who shall, under the orders of the Secretary of the Navy, prepare and issue all orders and details for service, and who shall also, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, have charge of all matters and things connected with courts martial and courts of inquiry, and with the custody of all records and papers thereunto appertaining, and perform such other duties relating to the personnel of the navy as the Secretary may from time to time direct; a surgeon or an assistant surgeon, who shall, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, make all purchases of medicines and medical supplies for the navy, and perform such other duties appertaining to the medical department as the Secretary may from time to time direct; a paymaster, who shall, under the direction of the Secretary of the Navy, make all contracts for or purchases of provisions, clothing and coal for the use of the navy, and perform such other duties as the Secretary may direct. The Secretary of the Navy is authorized to appoint one clerk to aid each of the above officers in the discharge of his duties, whose annual salary shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars each; but the officers therein detailed for duty shall receive no compensation for their services beyond their regular pay as on other duty.

Ordnance  
officer.

Orders and  
detail.

Medical.

Paymaster.

Clerks.

Pay.

Officers detailed  
in navy depart-  
ment to receive  
no extra pay.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the quartermaster of the marine corps to visit the different posts where portions of the

Quartermaster  
marines to visit  
posts.

corps may be stationed, as often as may be necessary for the proper discharge of his duties.

Secretary to publish regulations.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy to prepare and publish regulations for the general government of all persons connected with or employed in the naval service, which regulations shall take effect as soon as they shall be approved by the President and published.

United States naval laws, not inconsistent, to govern.

SEC. 9. All laws of the United States heretofore enacted for the government of the officers, seamen and marines of the navy of the United States, that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby adopted and applied to the officers, seamen and marines of the navy of the Confederate States.

President to determine relative army and navy rank.

SEC. 10. The President may determine the relative and assimilated rank which officers of the navy shall hold toward those of the army.

APPROVED, March 16, 1861.

No. 72.—RESOLUTIONS in reference to Forts, Dock-yards, Reservations and Property ceded to the Confederate States.

States recommended to cede to Confederate States, forts, arsenals, navy yards, &c.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States, That the Congress do recommend to the respective States to cede the forts, arsenals, navy-yards, dock-yards and other public establishments within their respective limits to the Confederate States, and, moreover, to cede so much of the lands reserved heretofore by the government of the United States, or other public vacant lands in their respective limits as may be necessary for timber or lumber for naval or other purposes of public concern; and that the President of Congress be requested to communicate these resolutions and the accompanying report to the Governors of the respective States.*

President authorized to take charge of ceded property.

*Resolved further, That in case of such cession, the President be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to take charge of any such property ceded.*

APPROVED, March 15, 1861.

No. 75.—AN ACT to authorize the Construction or Purchase of ten Gunboats.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to cause to be constructed or purchased ten steam gun-boats, for coast defence, whereof five shall be of a tonnage not exceeding seven hundred and fifty tons, and five of a tonnage not exceeding one thousand tons.

Ten steam gun-boats for coast defence.

APPROVED, March 15, 1861.

No. 86.—AN ACT to establish the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That an additional bureau in the War Department be and the same is hereby established, to be known as the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and charged with the management of our relations with the Indian tribes.

Bureau of Indian affairs.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Congress, may appoint a Commissioner of Indian Affairs and one clerk, to take charge of the business of the bureau hereby established; the salary of the commissioner to be twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, and the salary of the clerk fifteen hundred dollars per annum.

Commissioner authorized and clerk.

Salary.

APPROVED, March 15, 1861.

No. 89.—AN ACT making Appropriations for the support of the Navy for the year ending fourth February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

*The Congress of the Confederate States do enact*, That the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated for the objects hereinafter expressed, for the year ending the fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, namely:

Appropriations.

1st. For the pay of officers of the navy on duty and off duty, based upon the presumption that all the grades author-

Pay of officers.

- ized by the act of 1861 will be filled, one hundred and thirty-one thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars.
- Pay of marine corps. 2d. For the pay of officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates of the marine corps, one hundred and seventy-five thousand five hundred and twelve dollars.
- Provisions and clothing. 3d. For provisions and clothing and contingencies in paymaster's department, one hundred and thirty-three thousand eight hundred and sixty dollars.
- Petty officers, seamen, &c. 4th. For the pay of warrant and petty officers, and of five hundred seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen and boys, and engineer's department, one hundred and sixty-eight thousand dollars.
- Coal. 5th. For expenditures which will be required for coal for the use of steamers, two hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars.
- Ten gun-boats. 6th. For the probable cost of ten steam gun-boats for coast defences of the Confederate States, to be built or purchased as may be most convenient, one million one hundred thousand dollars.
- Sloop Fulton. 7th. For the probable cost of completing and equipping the steam sloop Fulton, now at the Pensacola navy yard, twenty-five thousand dollars.
- Officers and others at Pensacola navy yard. 8th. For the pay of officers and others at the navy yard, Pensacola, fifty-four thousand three hundred and sixty-three dollars.
- Four clerks of Navy Department. 9th. For compensation of four clerks on duty at the Navy Department as per act of 11th March, at fifteen hundred dollars each, six thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 15, 1861.

No. 90.—AN ACT supplementary to an act entitled, "An act to organize the Navy."

President may date commissions of resigned United States officers to secure former relative positions.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That in case officers who were formerly attached to the navy of the United States, but had resigned in consequence of the secession of any one, or of all of the Confederate States, should receive appointments in the navy of the Confederate States, the President is authorized to affix to their commis-

sions such dates as may be necessary to secure to them the same relative position that they held in the former service.

APPROVED, March 16, 1861.

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No. 92.—A RESOLUTION to pay certain Naval Officers their Traveling Expenses.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do resolve,* That the Secretary of the Navy be and he is hereby authorized to pay to Samuel Rousseau, Joseph Tatnall, Victor M. Randolph, J. D. Ingraham and Rapheal Semmes, late officers of the navy of the United States, who were summoned to this city by the Committee on Naval Affairs, in pursuance of authority conferred on said committee by a resolution of this body, adopted on the fourteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, their traveling expenses at the rate prescribed by law.

Traveling expenses to officers summoned by committee on naval affairs.

APPROVED, March 15, 1861.

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No. 97.—AN ACT making additional appropriations for the support of the Army, for the year ending the first of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the following sum be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, namely: For the purchase of ordnance and ordnance stores, one hundred and ten thousand dollars.

Purchase of ordnance and ordnance stores.

APPROVED, March 16, 1861.

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No. 100.—AN ACT making appropriation for the service of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the following sum be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise

Appropriation for Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Commissioner  
and chief clerk.

appropriated, for the service of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, for the year ending first of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, namely: For the salary of the commissioner and chief clerk of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and incidental expenses of the bureau, five thousand dollars.

APPROVED, March 16, 1861.

No. 102.—AN ACT to provide for the appointment of Chaplains in the Army.

Chaplains to  
army.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That there shall be appointed by the President such number of chaplains, to serve with the armies of the Confederate States during the existing war, as he may deem expedient; and the President shall assign them to such regiments, brigades or posts as he may deem necessary; and the appointments made as aforesaid shall expire whenever the existing war shall terminate.

Pay.

SEC. 2. The monthly pay of said chaplains shall be eighty-five dollars; and said pay shall be in full of all allowances whatever.

APPROVED, May 3, 1861.

No. 105.—AN ACT providing for a Regiment of Zouaves in the Army of the Confederate States.

Organizes regi-  
ment of Zou-  
aves.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That there shall be added to the military establishment of the Confederate States one regiment of Zouaves, to be composed of one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one major, and ten companies; and each company shall consist of one captain, one first lieutenant, two second lieutenants, one sergeant major, one quartermaster's sergeant, four sergeants and eight corporals, and ninety privates. And to the regiment there shall be attached one adjutant and a quartermaster, to be selected from the lieutenants. And one assistant surgeon shall be appointed for the regiment, in addition to those already authorized by

Assistant sur-  
geon added.

law for the medical department. The monthly pay of the officers of the regiment of Zouaves shall be the same as that of officers of infantry of the same rank; the allowances shall also be the same as those provided by law for officers of infantry; and the adjutant and quartermaster shall receive ten dollars per month in addition to their pay as lieutenants. The monthly pay of the enlisted men of said regiment of Zouaves shall be as follows: sergeants-major and quartermaster's sergeants, twenty dollars; sergeants, seventeen dollars; corporals, thirteen dollars; and privates, eleven dollars each; together with the same rations and allowances for clothing as are received by all other enlisted men.

APPROVED, May 4, 1861.

No. 109.—AN ACT to raise an additional Military Force to serve during the War.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That in addition to the volunteer force authorized to be raised under existing laws, the President be, and he is hereby authorized to accept the services of volunteers who may offer their services, without regard to the place of enlistment, either as cavalry, mounted riflemen, artillery, or infantry, in such proportion of these several arms as he may deem expedient, to serve for and during the existing war, unless sooner discharged.

Volunteers may be accepted as President deems expedient for the war.

SEC. 2. That the volunteers so offering their services may be accepted by the President in companies, to be organized by him into squadrons, battalions or regiments. The President shall appoint all field and staff officers, but the company officers shall be elected by the men composing the company; and if accepted, the officers so elected shall be commissioned by the President.

President to appoint field and staff.

Company officers to be elected.

SEC. 3. That any vacancies occurring in the ranks of the several companies mustered into service under the provisions of this act, may be filled by volunteers accepted under the rules of such companies; and any vacancies occurring in the officers of such companies shall be filled by elections in accordance with the same rules.

Vacancies of company officers filled by election.



Organized by  
and subject to  
previous acts.

SEC. 4. Except as herein differently provided, the volunteer forces hereby authorized to be raised shall in all regards be subject to and organized in accordance with the provisions of "An act to provide for the public defence," and all other acts for the government of the army of the Confederate States.

APPROVED, May 8, 1861.

No. 110.—AN ACT to make further provision for the Public Defence.

WHEREAS, War exists between the United States and the Confederate States; and whereas the public welfare may require the reception of volunteer forces into the service of the Confederate States, without the formality and delay of a call upon the respective States :

President may  
accept volun-  
teers without  
formal call on  
States, and spe-  
cify time of  
service.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be authorized to receive into service such companies, battalions or regiments, either mounted or on foot, as may tender themselves, and he may require, without the delay of a formal call upon the respective States, to serve for such time as he may prescribe.

Organized  
under previous  
acts.

SEC. 2. Such volunteer forces who may be accepted under this act, except as herein differently provided, shall be organized in accordance with and subject to all the provisions of the act entitled "An act to provide for the public defence," and be entitled to all the allowances provided therein; and when mustered into service, may be attached to such divisions, brigades or regiments as the President may direct, or ordered upon such independent or detached service as the President may deem expedient; provided, however, that battalions and regiments may be enlisted from States not of the Confederacy, and the President may appoint all or any of the field officers thereof.

President to ap-  
point field of-  
ficers.

SEC. 3. The President shall be authorized to commission all officers entitled to commissions, of such volunteer forces as may be received under the provisions of this act. And upon the request of the officer commanding such volunteer regiment, battalion or company, the President may attach a supernumerary officer to each company, detailed from the regular army for that purpose, and for such time as the President may direct.

President may  
commission all  
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may attach to  
company offi-  
cers of regular  
army.

APPROVED, May 11, 1861.

No. 114.—A RESOLUTION in regard to the military expenditures made by the State of South Carolina.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That the expenditures made by the State of South Carolina for the pay and maintenance of the troops employed in the defence of Charleston harbor, under the command of Brigadier General Beauregard, were intended to be provided for by an act making appropriations for the support of three thousand men, for twelve months, to be called into service at Charleston, South Carolina, under the third and fourth sections of an act of the Congress, to raise provisional forces for the Confederate States of America, and for other purposes; and that the amount of such expenditures be audited by the proper officer of the Treasury Department, and that the amount which shall be found due be paid to the State of South Carolina, from the appropriation made by the act aforesaid.

Provides for expenditures made by South Carolina.

APPROVED, May 10, 1861.

No. 126.—AN ACT regulating the sale of Prizes, and the distribution thereof.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That all prizes of vessels and property captured by private armed ships, in pursuance of the act passed by Congress recognizing the existence of war between the United States and the Confederate States, and concerning letters of marque, prizes and prize goods, which may be condemned in any court of the Confederate States, shall be sold at public auction by the marshal of the district in which the same shall be condemned, within sixty days after the condemnation thereof—sufficient notice of the time and place and condition of sale being first given—on such day or days, on such terms of credit, and in such lots or proportions as may be designated by the owner or owners, or agent of the owner or owners, of the privateer which may have captured the same: *Provided,* That the term of such credit shall not exceed ninety days. And the said marshal is hereby directed to take and receive from the purchaser or purchasers of such prize vessel and property, the

Prizes to be sold within sixty days after condemnation.

Terms.

Proviso.

money therefor, or his, her or their promissory notes, with endorsers, to be approved by the owner or owners of the privateer, to the amount of the purchase, payable according to the terms thereof.

Marshal to distribute proceeds of sale.

SEC. 2. That upon all duties, costs and charges being paid according to law, the said marshal shall, on demand, deliver and pay over to the owner or owners of the privateer, or to the agent of such owner or owners of the privateer which may have captured such prize vessel and property, a just and equal proportion of the funds received on account of the sale thereof, and of the promissory notes directed to be taken as aforesaid, to which the said owner or owners may be entitled, according to the articles of agreement between the said owner or owners and the officers and crew of the said privateer; and a just and equal proportion of the proceeds of the sale as aforesaid, shall, on demand, be also paid over by the said marshal to the officers and crew of the said privateer, or to their agent or agents. And if there be no written agreement, it shall be the duty of the marshal to pay over, in manner as aforesaid, one moiety of the proceeds of the sale of such prize vessel and property to the owner or owners of the privateer which may have captured the same, and the other moiety of the said proceeds to the agent or agents of the officers and crew of the said privateer, to be distributed according to law, or to any agreement by them made: *Provided*, The said officers and crew, or their agent or agents, shall have first refunded to the owner or owners, or to the agent of the owner or owners of the privateer aforesaid, the full amount of advances which shall have been made by the owner or owners of the privateer to the officers and crew thereof.

Proviso.

Marshal's fee.

SEC. 3. That for the selling prize property and receiving and paying over the proceeds as aforesaid, the marshal shall be entitled to a commission of one per cent., and no more, first deducting all duties, costs and charges which may have accrued on said property: *Provided*, That on no case of condemnation and sale of any one prize vessel and cargo shall the commissions of the marshal exceed two hundred and fifty dollars.

Proviso.

Marshal to file account within fifteen days after sale.

SEC. 4. That it shall be the duty of the marshal, within fifteen days after any sale of prize property, to file in the office of the clerk of the district court of the district wherein such sale may be made, a just and true account of the sales of such prize property, and of all duties and charges thereon, together

with a statement thereto annexed of the promissory notes taken on account thereof, which account shall be verified by the oath of the said marshal; and if the said marshal shall wilfully neglect or refuse to file such account, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred dollars for each omission or refusal as aforesaid, to be recovered in an action of debt by any person interested in such sale, and suing for the said penalty, on account of the party or parties interested in the prize vessel or property sold as aforesaid, in any court having cognizance thereof.

Forfeit.

SEC. 5. That the owner or owners of any private armed vessel or vessels, or their agent or agents, may, at any time before a libel shall be filed against any captured vessel or her cargo, remove the same from any port into which such prize vessel or property may be first brought, to any other port in the Confederate States, to be designated at the time of the removal as aforesaid, subject to the same restrictions and complying with the same regulations with respect to the payment of duties which are provided by law in relation to other vessels arriving in port with cargoes subject to the payment of duties: *Provided*, That before such removal the said captured property shall not have been attached at the suit of any adverse claimant, or a claim against the same have been interposed in behalf of the Confederate States.

Owners of privateer may remove prize before filing libel.

Proviso.

APPROVED, May 14, 1861.

No. 106.—AN ACT recognizing the existence of War between the United States and the Confederate States; and concerning Letters of Marque, Prizes and Prize Goods.

WHEREAS, The earnest efforts made by this government to establish friendly relations between the government of the United States and the Confederate States, and to settle all questions of disagreement between the two governments upon principles of right, justice, equity and good faith, have proved unavailing by reason of the refusal of the government of the United States to hold any intercourse with the commissioners appointed by this government for the purposes aforesaid, or to listen to any proposals they had to make for the peaceful solu-

Preamble.

tion of all causes of difficulty between the two governments; and whereas, the President of the United States of America has issued his proclamation making requisition upon the States of the American Union for seventy-five thousand men for this purpose, as therein indicated, of capturing forts and other strongholds within the jurisdiction of and belonging to the Confederate States of America, and has detailed naval armaments upon the coasts of the Confederate States of America, and raised, organized and equipped a large military force to execute the purpose aforesaid, and has issued his other proclamation announcing his purpose to set on foot a blockade of the ports of the Confederate States: and whereas, the State of Virginia has seceded from the Federal Union and entered into a convention of alliance offensive and defensive with the Confederate States, and has adopted the Provisional Constitution of the said States, and the States of Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas and Missouri have refused, and it is believed that the State of Delaware and the inhabitants of the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, and the Indian territory south of Kansas, will refuse to co-operate with the government of the United States in these acts of hostilities and wanton aggression, which are plainly intended to overawe, oppress and finally subjugate the people of the Confederate States: and whereas, by the acts and means aforesaid, war exists between the Confederate States and the government of the United States, and the States and territories thereof, except the States of Maryland, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, Missouri and Delaware, and the territories of Arizona and New Mexico, and the Indian territory south of Kansas: Therefore,

Existence of war.

President to use land and naval forces to meet the war and to issue commissions to private armed vessels.

Proviso.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President of the Confederate States is hereby authorized to use the whole land and naval force of the Confederate States to meet the war thus commenced, and to issue to private armed vessels commissions, or letters of marque and general reprisal, in such form as he shall think proper, under the seal of the Confederate States, against the vessels, goods and effects of the government of the United States, and of the citizens or inhabitants of the States and territories thereof: *Provided, however*, That property of the enemy (unless it be contraband of war) laden on board a neu-

tral vessel, shall not be subject to seizure under this act: *And* Proviso.  
*provided further*, That vessels of the citizens or inhabitants of the United States now in the ports of the Confederate States, except such as have been since the 5th of April last, or may hereafter be, in the service of the government of the United States, shall be allowed thirty days after the publication of this act to leave said ports and reach their destination; and such vessels and their cargoes, excepting articles contraband of war, shall not be subject to capture under this act during said period, unless they shall have previously reached the destination for which they were bound on leaving said ports.

Thirty days allowed.

SEC. 2. That the President of the Confederate States shall be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to revoke and annul, at pleasure, all letters of marque and reprisal which he may at any time grant pursuant to this act.

President authorized to revoke letters of marque.

SEC. 3. That all persons applying for letters of marque and reprisal, pursuant to this act, shall state in writing the name and a suitable description of the tonnage and force of the vessel, and the name and place of residence of each owner concerned therein, and the intended number of the crew; which statement shall be signed by the person or persons making such application, and filed with the Secretary of State, or shall be delivered to any other officer or person who shall be employed to deliver out such commissions, to be by him transmitted to the Secretary of State.

Persons applying for letters of marque to state tonnage, &c.

SEC. 4. That before any commission or letters of marque and reprisal shall be issued as aforesaid, the owner or owners of the ship or vessel for which the same shall be requested, and the commander thereof for the time being, shall give bond to the Confederate States, with at least two responsible sureties not interested in such vessel, in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, or, if such vessel be provided with more than one hundred and fifty men, then in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars, with condition that the owners, officers and crew who shall be employed on board such commissioned vessel, shall and will observe the laws of the Confederate States, and the instructions which shall be given them according to law for the regulation of their conduct, and will satisfy all damages and injuries which shall be done or committed contrary to the tenor thereof, by such vessel during her commis-

Bonds.

sion, and to deliver up the same when revoked by the President of the Confederate States.

Captures to accrue to owners and crews, according to agreement. If no agreement, according to law.

SEC. 5. That all captures and prizes of vessels and property shall be forfeited and shall accrue to the owners, officers and crews of the vessels by whom such captures and prizes shall be made, and on due condemnation had shall be distributed according to any written agreement which shall be made between them; and if there be no such written agreement, then one moiety to the owners and the other moiety to the officers and crew, as nearly as may be according to the rules prescribed for the distribution of prize money by the laws of the Confederate States.

Salvage to be allowed upon re-captured vessels and effects.

SEC. 6. That all vessels, goods and effects, the property of any citizen of the Confederate States, or of persons resident within and under the protection of the Confederate States, or of persons permanently within the territories and under the protection of any foreign prince, government or state in amity with the Confederate States, which shall have been captured by the United States, and which shall be re-captured by vessels commissioned as aforesaid, shall be restored to the lawful owners, upon payment by them of a just and reasonable salvage, to be determined by the mutual agreement of the parties concerned, or by the decree of any court having jurisdiction, according to the nature of each case, agreeably to the provisions established by law. And such salvage shall be distributed among the owners, officers and crews of the vessels commissioned as aforesaid, and making such captures, according to any written agreement which shall be made between them; and in case of no such agreement, then in the same manner and upon the principles hereinbefore provided in cases of capture.

Distribution of salvage.

Before breaking bulk, prize to be brought before competent tribunal.

SEC. 7. That before breaking bulk of any vessel which shall be captured as aforesaid, or other disposal or conversion thereof, or of any articles which shall be found on board the same, such captured vessel, goods or effects shall be brought into some port of the Confederate States, or of a nation or state in amity with the Confederate States, and shall be proceeded against before a competent tribunal; and after condemnation and forfeiture thereof shall belong to the owners, officers and crew of the vessel capturing the same, and be distributed as

Captures brought within C. S. to be under jurisdiction of district courts.

before provided; and in the case of all captured vessels, goods and effects which shall be brought within the jurisdiction of the Confederate States, the district courts of the Confederate States shall have exclusive original cognizance thereof, as in civil causes of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction; and the said courts, or the courts, being courts of the Confederate States, into which such cases shall be removed, and in which they shall be finally decided, shall and may decree restitution in whole or in part, when the capture shall have been made without just cause. And if made without probable cause, may order and decree damages and costs to the party injured, for which the owners and commanders of the vessels making such captures, and also the vessels, shall be liable.

Damage and cost.

SEC. 8. That all persons found on board any captured vessels, or on board any re-captured vessel, shall be reported to the collector of the port in the Confederate States in which they shall first arrive, and shall be delivered into the custody of the marshal of the district, or of some court or military officer of the Confederate States, or of any state in or near such port, who shall take charge of their safe keeping and support, at the expense of the Confederate States.

Persons on prizes to be placed in charge of marshal, and supported at expense of C. S.

SEC. 9. That the President of the Confederate States is hereby authorized to establish and order suitable instructions for the better governing and directing the conduct of the vessels so commissioned, their officers and crews, copies of which shall be delivered by the collector of the customs to the commanders, when they shall give bond as provided.

Instructions to govern vessels commissioned.

SEC. 10. That a bounty shall be paid by the Confederate States of \$20 for each person on board any armed ship or vessel belonging to the United States at the commencement of an engagement, which shall be burnt, sunk or destroyed by any vessel commissioned as aforesaid, which shall be of equal or inferior force, the same to be divided as in other cases of prize money; and a bounty of \$25 shall be paid to the owners, officers and crews of the private armed vessels commissioned as aforesaid, for each and every prisoner by them captured and brought into port, and delivered to an agent authorized to receive them, in any port of the Confederate States; and the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to pay or cause to be paid to the owners, officers and crews of such private

Bounty for each person on burnt vessel.

Bounty for prisoner delivered to agent of C. S.

Secretary of Treasury to pay bounty.



armed vessels commissioned as aforesaid, or their agent, the bounties herein provided.

Commanders to keep journal.

SEC. 11. That the commanding officer of every vessel having a commission or letters of marque and reprisal, during the present hostilities between the Confederate States and the United States, shall keep a regular journal, containing a true and exact account of his daily proceedings and transactions with such vessel and the crew thereof; the ports and places he shall put into or cast anchor in; the time of his stay there and the cause thereof; the prizes he shall take and the nature and probable value thereof; the times and places when and where taken, and in what manner he shall dispose of the same; the ships or vessels he shall fall in with; the times and places when and where he shall meet with them, and his observations and remarks thereon; also, of whatever else shall occur to him or any of his officers or marines, or be discovered by examination or conference with any marines or passengers of or in any other ships or vessels, or by any other means touching the fleets, vessels and forces of the United States, their posts and places of station and destination, strength, numbers, intents and designs; and such commanding officer shall, immediately on his arrival in any port of the Confederate States, from or during the continuance of any voyage or cruise, produce his commission for such vessel, and deliver up such journal so kept as aforesaid, signed with his proper name and hand-writing, to the collector or other chief officer of the customs at or nearest to such port; the truth of which journal shall be verified by the oath of the commanding officer for the time being. And such collector or other chief officer of the customs shall, immediately on the arrival of such vessel, order the proper officer of the customs to go on board and take an account of the officers and men, the number and nature of the guns, and whatever else shall occur to him on examination material to be known; and no such vessel shall be permitted to sail out of port again until such journal shall have been delivered up, and a certificate obtained under the hand of such collector or other chief officer of the customs that she is manned and armed according to her commission; and upon delivery of such certificate, any former certificate of a like nature which shall have been obtained by the commander of such vessel shall be delivered up.

Journal to be delivered to collector and sworn to.

Vessel not to sail again until the journal is given.

SEC. 12. That the commanders of vessels having letters of marque and reprisal as aforesaid, neglecting to keep a journal as aforesaid, or wilfully making fraudulent entries therein, or obliterating the record of any material transaction contained therein where the interest of the Confederate States is concerned, or refusing to produce and deliver such journal, commission or certificate, pursuant to the preceding section of this act, then and in such cases the commissions or letters of marque and reprisal of such vessels shall be liable to be revoked; and such commanders respectively shall forfeit for every such offence the sum of \$1,000, one moiety thereof to the use of the Confederate States, and the other to the informer.

Forfeit in case the journal is neglected, &c.

SEC. 13. That the owners or commanders of vessels having letters of marque and reprisal as aforesaid, who shall violate any of the acts of Congress for the collection of the revenue of the Confederate States, and for the prevention of smuggling, shall forfeit the commission or letters of marque and reprisal, and they and the vessels owned or commanded by them shall be liable to all the penalties and forfeitures attaching to merchant vessels in like cases.

Violation of law forfeits commission.

SEC. 14. That on all goods, wares and merchandise captured and made good and lawful prizes of war, by any private armed ship having commission or letters of marque and reprisal under this act, and brought into the Confederate States, there shall be allowed a deduction of  $33\frac{1}{3}$  per cent. on the amount of duties imposed by law.

Deduction of duties.

SEC. 15. That five per centum on the net amount (after deducting all charges and expenditures) of the prize money arising from captured vessels and cargoes, and on the net amount of the salvage of vessels and cargoes re-captured by private armed vessels of the Confederate States, shall be secured and paid over to the collector or other chief officer of the customs, at the port or place in the Confederate States at which such captured or re-captured vessels may arrive, or to the consul or other public agent of the Confederate States residing at the port or place not within the Confederate States at which such captured or re-captured vessel may arrive. And the moneys arising therefrom shall be held and are hereby pledged by the government of the Confederate States as a fund for the support and maintenance of the widows and orphans of

Five per cent. on all prizes for support of families of crews.

such persons as may be slain, and for the support and maintenance of such persons as may be wounded and disabled on board of the private armed vessels commissioned as aforesaid, in any engagement with the enemy, to be assigned and distributed in such manner as shall hereafter be provided by law.

APPROVED, May 6, 1861.

No. 129.—AN ACT to increase the Military Establishment of the Confederate States, and to amend an "Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States of America."

Adds one regiment of cavalry and ten of infantry.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President shall be authorized to raise and organize, in addition to the present military establishment, one regiment of cavalry and two regiments of infantry, whenever in his judgment the public service may require such an increase, to be organized in accordance with existing laws for the organization of cavalry and infantry regiments, and to be entitled to the same pay and allowances provided for the same respectively.

The five general officers how appointed; to be recognized as generals.

SEC. 2. That the five general officers provided by existing laws for the Confederate States, shall have the rank and denomination of "General," instead of "Brigadier General," which shall be the highest military grade known to the Confederate States. They shall be assigned to such commands and duties as the President may specially direct, and shall be entitled to the same pay and allowances as are provided for brigadier generals, and to two aids-de-camp, to be selected as now provided by law. Appointments to the rank of general, after the army is organized, shall be made by selection from the army.

Pay and aids.

Authority to increase engineer corps.

SEC. 3. That the President be authorized, whenever in his judgment the public service may require the increase, to add to the corps of engineers one lieutenant-colonel, who shall receive the pay and allowances of a lieutenant-colonel of cavalry, and as many captains, not exceeding five, as may be necessary.

SEC. 4. That there be added to the quartermaster-general's department one assistant quartermaster-general, with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and two quartermasters, with the rank of major; and to the commissary-general's department, one assistant commissary, with the rank of major, and one assistant commissary, with the rank of captain; and to the medical department, six surgeons and fourteen assistant surgeons.

Increasing quartermaster's, commissary's and medical departments.

SEC. 5. That the President be authorized to appoint as many military store-keepers, with the pay and allowances of a first lieutenant of infantry, as the safe-keeping of the public property may require, not to exceed in all six store-keepers.

Authorizes store-keepers.

SEC. 6. That there be added to the military establishment one quartermaster-sergeant for each regiment of cavalry and infantry, and one ordnance-sergeant for each military post, each to receive the pay and allowances of a sergeant-major, according to existing laws.

Quartermaster-sergeant and ordnance-sergeant.

SEC. 7. That there may be enlisted for the medical department of the army, for the term already provided by law for other enlisted men, as many hospital stewards as the service may require, to be determined by the Secretary of War, under such regulations as he may prescribe, and who shall receive the pay and allowances of a sergeant-major.

Hospital stewards.

SEC. 8. That until a military school shall be established for the elementary instruction of officers for the army, the President shall be authorized to appoint cadets from the several States, in number proportioned to their representation in the House of Representatives, and ten in addition, to be selected by him at large from the Confederate States, who shall be attached to companies in service in any branch of the army, as supernumerary officers, with the rank of cadet, who shall receive the monthly pay of forty dollars, and be competent for promotion at such time and under such regulations as may be prescribed by the President, or hereafter established by law.

Appointment of cadets.

Cadets at large.

Pay.

SEC. 9. That the President be authorized to assign officers of the army of the Confederate States to staff duty with volunteers or provisional troops, and to confer upon them, whilst so employed, the rank corresponding to the staff duties they are to perform.

Assignment of officers to staff duty with volunteers.

SEC. 10. There shall be allowed and paid to every able-bodied man who shall be duly enlisted to serve in the army of the Confederate States, a bounty of ten dollars; but the pay-

Bounty for enlistment.

ment of five dollars of the said bounty shall be deferred until the recruit shall have been mustered into the regiment in which he is to serve.

Act of Congress of U. S. of 23d June, 1860, if of force, to be suspended during the war.

SEC. 11. That the provisions of the third section of the act of the Congress of the United States, making appropriations for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the government for the year ending the thirtieth day of June, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty-one, approved June twenty-third, eighteen hundred and sixty, which declares that no arms nor military supplies whatever, which are of a patented invention, shall be purchased, nor the right of using or applying any patented invention, unless the same shall be authorized by law, and the appropriation therefor explicitly set forth, that it is for such patented invention, (if of force within the Confederate States,) shall be suspended in its operation for and during the existing war.

APPROVED, May 16, 1861.

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No. 130.—AN ACT to provide a Compensation for the Disbursing Officers of the several Executive Departments.

Disbursing clerks.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the Secretaries of the State, Treasury, War and Navy Departments, and of the Department of Justice, and of the Post Office Department, shall appoint one of their clerks as a disbursing clerk; and such clerk shall be allowed, in addition to his compensation as clerk, the additional sum of two hundred dollars per annum, for disbursing the funds of said departments which may be required to pass through their hands. And that all laws and parts of laws now in force relating to this subject be repealed; and that this act take effect and be of force from and after its passage.

Additional pay.

APPROVED, May 16, 1861.

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No. 132.—AN ACT to amend an act, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of Chaplains to the Army," approved May third, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That so much of the second section of the above recited act as fixes the pay of chaplains in the army at eighty-five dollars be repealed, and that the pay of said chaplains be fifty dollars per month.

Pay of chaplains.

APPROVED, May 16, 1861.

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No. 133.—AN ACT to authorize the President to continue the Appointments made by him in the Military and Naval Service during the recess of Congress or the present session, and to submit them to Congress at its next session.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the President be authorized to continue the appointments made by him in the military and naval service during the recess of Congress, or the present session, and to submit them to Congress at its next session.

President authorized to continue appointments during recess of Congress.

APPROVED, May 16, 1861.

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No. 141.—AN ACT to provide an additional Company of Sappers and Bombardiers for the Army.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That there be added to the military establishment of the Confederate States one company of sappers and bombardiers, to consist of one captain, two first lieutenants, one second lieutenant, ten sergeants or master-workmen, ten corporals or overseers, two musicians, thirty-nine privates of the first class, and thirty-nine privates of the second class, who shall be instructed in and perform all the duties of sappers and bombardiers, and shall, moreover, under the orders of the chief engineer, be liable to serve by detachments in overseeing and aiding laborers upon fortifications or other works under the

Increasing sappers and bombardiers.

engineer department, and in supervising finished fortifications, as fort-keepers, preventing injury and making repairs.

Supplies for service of sappers, &c.

SEC. 2. That it shall be the duty of the colonel of the engineer corps, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, to prescribe the number, quantity, form, dimensions, &c., of the necessary vehicles, arms, pontoons, tools, implements, and other supplies for the service of said company as a body of sappers and bombardiers.

Pay of sappers, &c.

SEC. 3. That the monthly pay of the captain of said company shall be one hundred and forty dollars; of each first lieutenant, one hundred dollars; of the second lieutenant, ninety dollars; of the sergeants, thirty-four dollars; of the corporals, twenty dollars; of the musicians, thirteen dollars; of the first class privates, seventeen dollars; and of the second class privates, thirteen dollars. And the said commissioned officers shall be entitled to the same allowances as all other commissioned officers of the army, and the same right to draw forage for horses as is accorded to officers of like rank in the engineer corps; and the enlisted men shall receive the same rations and allowances as are granted to all other enlisted men in the army.

APPROVED, May 17, 1861.

No. 145.—AN ACT amendatory of an act to provide for the organization of the Navy.

Re-organizes marine corps.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That from and after the passage of this act the corps of marines shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one major, one quartermaster with the rank of major, one paymaster with the rank of major, one adjutant with the rank of major, one sergeant-major, one quartermaster-sergeant, ten captains, ten first lieutenants, twenty second lieutenants, forty sergeants, forty corporals, and eight hundred and forty privates, ten drummers and ten fifers and two musicians.

Pay.

SEC. 2. The pay and emoluments of the officers and enlisted men shall be the same as that of the officers and enlisted men of like grade in the infantry of the army, except that the paymaster and the adjutant shall receive the same pay as the quartermaster, and the adjutant shall be taken from the captains

Paymaster and adjutant.

and subalterns of the corps and separated from the line. The rations of enlisted marines shall be the rations allowed by law to seamen. All acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Rations.  
Acts inconsis-  
tent repealed.

APPROVED, May 20, 1861.

No. 146.—AN ACT to amend an Act to provide for the organization of the Navy, approved March sixteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of Congress to appoint, all officers of the navy of the United States, who have resigned or may hereafter resign their commissions on account of the secession of any or all of the Confederate States, and who may be fit for active service, to the same rank and position in the navy of the Confederate States which they held in that of the United States: *Provided, however*, That no officer shall be so appointed who may at any time have committed any act of hostility against the Confederate States, or any one thereof.

President may  
appoint resign-  
ed officers of  
U. S. navy, to  
same rank in  
C. S.

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SEC. 2. That the President be authorized to assign officers of the navy to any duty connected with the defence of the country, and suitable to their rank, which he may deem proper.

President may  
assign duties to  
navy officers.

SEC. 3. That the President be authorized to appoint six assistant paymasters of the navy, each to receive a salary of one thousand dollars when employed at sea, and seven hundred dollars when not thus employed; and all paymasters of the navy shall be taken from the grade of assistant paymasters.

Assistant pay-  
masters of navy.

APPROVED, May 20, 1861.

No. 149.—AN ACT making appropriations in addition to those already made for the Military Service of the Confederate States of America, for the fiscal year ending the eighteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That there be appropriated for the pay of

Pay of one hun-  
dred regiments  
of infantry, &c.



the officers and privates of one hundred regiments of infantry, and for quartermaster's supplies of all kinds for the same, and transportation, including horses, wagons, harness, ambulances and other necessary expenses, for the fiscal year ending the eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, twenty-seven millions nine hundred and thirty-two thousand four hundred and ninety-three dollars and twelve cents.

Region.

SEC. 2. That there be appropriated for the pay, quartermaster's supplies of all kinds, transportation, and other necessary expenses for one regiment of legionary formation, composed of one company of artillery, four companies of cavalry, and six companies of voltigeurs, five hundred and fifty thousand four hundred and eighty-five dollars.

Subsistence.

SEC. 3. That there be appropriated for the purchase of subsistence stores and commissary property for one hundred thousand troops, for the fiscal year ending the eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, five millions four hundred and sixty-four thousand two hundred and fifty-eight dollars and eighty cents.

Ordnance.

SEC. 4. That there be appropriated for the ordnance service, for the fiscal year ending the eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two—for the preservation of public buildings, quarters, barracks, &c., at the arsenals, armories, and depots; for the repairs and preservation of ordnance stores; for the pay of clerks, draughtsmen, colorers, superintendents, overseers, &c.; for the purchase of horses, mules, forage, stationery, and contingencies of ordnance service; for the purchase of heavy ordnance and carriages, with shot and shell for the same; for sixteen field batteries of six pieces each, with harness, implements and ammunition; for fifty thousand stands of small arms; for five thousand pistols and holsters; for sabres, swords, carbines and pistols; for five thousand sets of cavalry equipments; for five thousand sets of cavalry accoutrements; for one hundred thousand sets of infantry accoutrements, knapsacks, haversacks and canteens; for two and one half million pounds powder; for materials for the same; for lead, copper, and materials for percussion caps and for friction tubes; for additional shops and store-houses at Mount Vernon Arsenal, Alabama, and Augusta Arsenal, Georgia; for machinery, steam engine and tools; for cap machine; for bullet machine; for re-

pairs of buildings and machines at Harper's Ferry—four millions four hundred and forty thousand dollars.

SEC. 5. That there be appropriated for medical and hospital supplies, for the year ending eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Medical and hospital supplies.

SEC. 6. That there be appropriated for the contingent service of the War Department, for the year ending the eighteenth of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, the sum of three hundred thousand dollars.

Contingent service War Department.

SEC. 7. That there be appropriated for contingent expenses of the Adjutant and Inspector-General's Department, including office furniture, stationery, printed blanks for the use of the army, record books, postage, telegraphic despatches, &c., for the year ending the eighteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, the sum of eight thousand dollars.

Contingent expenses of adjutant and inspector-general's office.

SEC. 8. That there be appropriated for the pay of surgeons, assistant surgeons, and chaplains, for the year ending the eighteenth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two, the sum of three hundred and twenty-nine thousand nine hundred and one dollars.

Pay of medical officers and chaplains.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 150.—AN ACT to amend an act relative to Telegraphic Lines of the Confederate States, approved May eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the sixth section of the "act relative to telegraph lines of the Confederate States" be, and the same is hereby so amended as to authorize the President to allow such compensation as may be reasonable and proper, in addition to what may be allowed by the telegraph companies, to such of the agents of said companies as he may charge with special and important duties, where such agents are deemed trustworthy and acceptable both to him and the companies concerned.

Additional compensation to special agents of telegraph companies.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

No. 153.—AN ACT concerning the transportation of Soldiers and allowance for Clothing of Volunteers, and amendatory of the Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States.

Mileage to discharged soldiers.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, When transportation cannot be furnished in kind, the discharged soldier shall be entitled to receive ten cents per mile in lieu of all traveling pay, subsistence, forage, and undrawn clothing, from the place of discharge to the place of his enlistment or enrollment, estimating the distance by the shortest mail route, and if there is no mail route, by the shortest practicable route. The foregoing to apply to all officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, farriers, blacksmiths and privates of volunteers, when disbanded, discharged or mustered out of service of the Confederate States; and it shall also apply to all volunteer troops, as above designated, when traveling from the place of enrollment to the place of general rendezvous or point where mustered into service: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to deprive the mounted volunteers of the allowance of forty cents a day for the use and risk of his horse, which allowance is made from the date of his enrollment to the date of his discharge, and also for every twenty miles travel from the place of his discharge to the place of his enrollment.

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Clothing allowance.

SEC. 2. That the fourth section of the act of March 6, 1861, "to provide for the public defence," be amended as follows, viz: There shall be allowed to each volunteer, to be paid to him on the first muster and pay rolls after being received and mustered into the service of the Confederate States, the sum of twenty-one dollars, in lieu of clothing for six months; and thereafter the same allowance in money at every subsequent period of service for six months in lieu of clothing: *Provided*, That the price of all clothing in kind received by said volunteers from the Confederate States Government shall be deducted first from the money thus allowed; and if that sum be not sufficient, the balance shall be charged for stoppage on the muster and pay rolls; and that all accounts arising from contracts, agreements, or arrangements for furnishing clothing to volunteers, to be duly certified by the company commander, shall be paid out of the said semi-annual allowance of money.

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SEC. 3. That the twenty-first section of the act for the organization of the army of the Confederate States be so amended as to allow to aids-de-camp and to adjutants forage for the same number of horses as allowed to officers of the same grade in the mounted service.

Forage for aids-de-camp and adjutants.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 154.—AN ACT to be entitled an Act to amend "An Act to raise an additional Military Force to serve during the War."

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That so much of the second section of the act entitled an act to raise an additional military force to serve during the war, passed May eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, be so amended as to authorize the President, on the application of any commanding officer of a regiment or battalion authorized by said act, to assign a subaltern of the line of the army to the duties of adjutant of said regiment or battalion.

Subaltern of line of army may be assigned the duty of adjutant.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 155.—AN ACT to authorize the President to confer temporary rank and command, for service with volunteer troops, on Officers of the Confederate Army.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the President shall be authorized to confer temporary rank and command, for service with volunteer troops, on officers of the Confederate army; the same to be held without prejudice to their positions in said army, and to have effect only to the extent and according to the assignment made in general order.

Officers of army may be assigned to temporary rank for service with volunteers.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 156.—AN ACT to provide for the Incidental Expenses of the Public Service within the Indian tribes.

*The Congress of the Confederate States do enact* That the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby

Incidental expenses of Indian tribes.

appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to meet the incidental expenses of the public service within the Indian tribes, for the year ending February the eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two. But a particular and specific account of the expenditures under this act shall be made and reported to Congress at its next session after the expiration of the period herein named.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

No. 170.—AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act recognizing the existence of war between the United States and the Confederate States, and concerning Letters of Marque, Prizes and Prize Goods," approved May sixth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

Bounty of twenty per cent. upon value of enemy's vessels destroyed.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States do enact*, That the tenth section of the above entitled act be so amended that, in addition to the bounty therein mentioned, the Government of the Confederate States will pay to the cruiser or cruisers of any private armed vessel commissioned under said act, twenty per centum on the value of each and every vessel of war belonging to the enemy, that may be sunk or destroyed by such private armed vessel or vessels, the value of the armament to be included in the estimate. The valuation to be made by a board of naval officers appointed, and their award to be approved by the President, and the amount found to be due to be payable in eight per cent. bonds of the Confederate States.

Inventor of new armed vessel to be entitled to benefit of this act.

SEC. 2. That if any person who may have invented or may hereafter invent any new kind of armed vessel, or floating battery, or defence, shall deposit a plan of the same, accompanied by suitable explanations or specifications, in the navy department, together with an affidavit setting forth that he is the inventor thereof, such deposit and affidavit (unless the facts set forth therein shall be disproved) shall entitle such inventor or his assigns to the sole and exclusive enjoyment of the rights and privileges conferred by this act, reserving, however, to the Government, in all cases, the right of using such invention.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

No. 171.—AN ACT to provide for the pay of additional officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates of the Marine Corps, to constitute a Regiment, and for the additional clothing and subsistence of the non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, for the year ending February the eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,*  
That the sum of ninety-five thousand two hundred and forty dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the pay of additional officers, musicians and privates of the marine corps, and subsistence for the same for and during the year ending February the eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, said sum to be appropriated as follows: One colonel, (for nine months,) two thousand dollars; lieutenant-colonel, (for nine months,) eighteen hundred dollars; quartermaster, (additional,) five hundred dollars; paymaster, (additional,) five hundred dollars; adjutant, (additional,) five hundred dollars; four captains, five thousand two hundred dollars; four first lieutenants, three thousand six hundred dollars; fourteen second lieutenants, ten thousand and eighty dollars; additional non-commissioned officers and musicians, four thousand eight hundred dollars; two hundred and forty additional privates at eleven dollars per month, twenty-three thousand seven hundred and sixty dollars; additional clothing for non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, fifteen thousand dollars; additional rations for non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, sixty-six thousand rations at sixteen thousand five hundred dollars; additional expenses of recruiting, transportation of officers and men, five thousand dollars; pay of armories and purchase of small arms, ordnance stores, accoutrements, flags, &c., four thousand dollars; contingencies, including freight, cartage, &c., two thousand dollars.

Pay and supplies for marine corps.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 178.—AN ACT to provide for the pay of the officers who have resigned from the United States Navy, and whom it is proposed to add to the Confederate States Navy.

*Be it enacted by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That the sum of three hundred and fifty-two thousand

Pay of officers  
resigned from  
U. S. navy and  
added to C. S.  
navy.

six hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be expended in the pay of the officers who have resigned from the United States Navy, and whom it is proposed to add to that of the Confederate States, said sum to be appropriated as follows: For the pay of twelve captains, on and off duty, \$40,000; twenty-nine commanders, on and off duty, \$71,000; eighty lieutenants, \$139,400; twenty-five surgeons, including passed assistant surgeons, \$56,200; twelve assistant surgeons, \$14,400; sixteen paymasters, \$31,600. To pay Captains Lawrence Rousseau, Josiah Tattnell, Victor M. Randolph, and Duncan M. Ingraham, and Commander Raphaël Semmes certain travelling expenses, as per resolution of March 15th, 1861, (\$593,) five hundred and ninety-three dollars.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

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No. 180.—AN ACT to provide for the cession, on the part of the State of Arkansas, of the Arsenal at Little Rock, and of Fort Smith at the city of Fort Smith, in the State of Arkansas, to the Confederate States of America, and the acceptance of the same by the said Confederate States.

WHEREAS, By ordinance of the Convention of the State of Arkansas, passed the 11th day of May, 1861, herewith submitted, authority was conferred upon the delegation of the State of Arkansas to cede to the Confederate States the arsenal at Little Rock, and Fort Smith at the city of Fort Smith, in the State of Arkansas, and the grounds, buildings and appurtenances attached to each, in accordance with the terms of said ordinance: Therefore,

Acceptance of  
arsenal of Little  
Rock and of  
Fort Smith.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the cession as hereinbefore recited is hereby accepted, and it is now made the duty of the Secretary of War to accept a deed of cession of the said arsenal and other property to be executed by the said delegation, and to take charge of and hold the same in the name of the Government of the Confederate States of America.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

## No. 181.—AN ACT relative to Prisoners of War.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That all prisoners of war taken, whether on land or at sea, during the pending hostilities with the United States, shall be transferred by the captors, from time to time and as often as convenient, to the Department of War; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, with the approval of the President, to issue such instructions to the Quartermaster-General and his subordinates as shall provide for the safe custody and sustenance of prisoners of war; and the rations furnished prisoners of war shall be the same in quantity and quality as those furnished to enlisted men in the army of the Confederacy.

Quartermaster-General's department to provide for prisoners of war.

SEC. 2. That the eighth section of the act entitled "An act recognizing the existence of war between the United States and the Confederate States, and concerning Letters of Marque, Prizes and Prize Goods," shall not be so construed as to authorize the holding as prisoners of war the officers or crew of any unarmed vessel, nor any passenger on such vessels, unless such passengers be persons employed in the public service of the enemy.

Private persons on prizes not to be considered prisoners of war.

SEC. 3. That the tenth section of the above recited act shall not be so construed as to allow a bounty for prisoners captured on vessels of the enemy and brought into port, unless such prisoners were captured on board of an armed ship or vessel of the enemy of equal or superior force to that of the private armed vessel making the capture.

Bounty allowed only for prisoners on armed vessels of enemy.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

No. 184.—AN ACT making appropriations for the support of the Navy, for the year ending eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

*The Congress of the Confederate States do enact*, That the following sums be, and the same are hereby appropriated, for the objects hereinafter expressed, for the year ending the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two:

*Navy*—For purchase of nautical instruments, books and charts for Confederate States Navy, five thousand five hundred

Books, instruments, charts, &c.



dollars. For equipment and repair of vessels of Confederate States Navy, one hundred thousand dollars. For laboratory for safe-keeping ordnance stores, and labor in preparing them, thirty-seven thousand dollars. For ordnance and ordnance stores, eighty thousand dollars. For "contingent enumerated," for the following purposes, viz: Freight and transportation; printing and stationery; advertising; models and drawings; repair of fire engines and hose repairs, and attending to steam engines in yards; purchase and maintenance of horses and oxen and drawing teams; carts, lumber, wheels, and the purchase and repair of workman's tools; postage on public letters; fuel, oil and candles for navy yards and shore stations; pay of watchmen, and incidental labor not chargeable to other appropriations; wharfage, dockage and rent; travelling expenses of officers and others, under orders; funeral expenses; store and office rent; commissions and pay of navy agents and clerks; flags, awnings and packing boxes; books for libraries of vessels; premiums and other expenses of recruiting; apprehending deserters; per diem pay of persons attending courts martial, courts of inquiry, and other services authorized by law; pay of judge advocate; pilotage and tonnage of vessels, and assistance to vessels in distress; and for bills of health and quarantine expenses, fifty thousand dollars. For medical supplies and surgeons' necessaries for sick of navy, engineer and marine corps, six thousand dollars.

APPROVED, May 21, 1861.

No. 194.—AN ACT relating to the Pre-payment of Postage in certain cases.

Pre-payment of  
army letters not  
enforced.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That all letters and other matter authorized by law to be transmitted through the mails, written or sent by any officer, musician or private of the army engaged in the actual service of the Confederate States, may be transmitted through the mails to any other place in the Confederate States without pre-payment of postage, but leaving such postage to be collected upon the delivery of such letters or other matter: *Provided, nevertheless*, That in all such cases, the letters and

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other mail matter so sent shall be endorsed with the name and shall be on account of the individual sending the same, and shall contain a description of the party who sends the same, by endorsement of his military title, if an officer, or of the company and regiment to which he belongs, if a musician or private.

SEC. 2. That letters and other mail matter sent to any officer, musician or private in the Confederate States Army, at any point from which the said officer, musician or private may have been lawfully removed, shall be forwarded to the person to whom directed at the post office nearest which he may have been removed, free of additional postage.

Forwarded letters not to be charged.

SEC. 3. That on letters transmitted by a member of Congress, with his official signature endorsed on the same, prepayment of postage shall not be required, but the same may be paid on the delivery of the letters thus transmitted.

Pre-payment not required on letters from members of Congress.

SEC. 4. Any person attempting to violate the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty dollars, to be recovered before any justice of the peace having cognizance thereof.

Penalty for violation.

APPROVED, July 29, 1861.

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No. 195.—A RESOLUTION to dispose of Donations made by certain Churches on the late Fast Day.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That the sum of five thousand two hundred and seventy-eight dollars and eighty-eight cents, reported by the Secretary of the Treasury as received into the treasury from donations by churches on the late fast day, be appropriated as a fund for the use of the soldiers and officers wounded at the late battle of Manassas; and that the same be disbursed and applied by the Secretary of the Treasury, with the concurrence of the Chairman of the Committee of the House.

APPROVED, July 30, 1861.

No. 196.—RESOLUTIONS in relation to the First Regiment of North Carolina Volunteers.

First N. C. volunteers may be accepted for six months.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That the President be and he is hereby authorized to receive and muster into the service of the Confederate States of America, the First Regiment of North Carolina Volunteers, now stationed at Yorktown, for the term of six months, from the time they were sworn in and mustered into the service of North Carolina, and to discharge them after the expiration of that period; said period to commence at the time the first company of said regiment was mustered into the service of North Carolina.

Cadets of N. C.

*Resolved, further,* That the cadets from the North Carolina Institute at Charlotte, who may have been acting with said regiment, be mustered into service in the same manner as the residue of the regiment, and recognized as part thereof, with the pay of privates.

APPROVED, July 30, 1861.

No. 199.—AN ACT to authorize the distribution of the proceeds of the sale of the A. B. Thompson, condemned as a prize.

Prize A. B. Thompson.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the proceeds of the sale of the ship A. B. Thompson, taken by the Confederate States ship of war, the Lady Davis, and condemned as a prize, under a decree of the Confederate States Court for the District of South Carolina, when paid into the treasury, shall be distributed by the Secretary of the Navy according to the provisions of the act of the United States of April 23d, 1800, entitled "An act for the better government of the Navy of the United States," and made of force by an act of the Congress of the Confederate States of February 9th, 1861, entitled "An act to continue in force certain laws of the United States of America, rating Captain Elliott and his detachment—declared joint captors by the said decree as marines, according to their respective ranks.

APPROVED, August 1, 1861.

No. 201.—AN ACT to make provision for the care of Supplies for the Sick and Wounded.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the Secretary of War shall forthwith appoint a clerk in the office of the surgeon-general, to take charge of all hospital supplies and other articles which may be contributed for the use of the sick and wounded; and the same to dispose of, according to the wishes of the contributors, under the direction of the medical department of the army; the salary of the said clerk not to exceed one thousand dollars; and the said clerk shall be authorized, under the direction of the surgeon-general, to procure and fit up a proper place for the safe-keeping and proper disposal of the said articles.

Clerk to take charge of supplies for sick.

APPROVED, August 2, 1861.

No. 202.—AN ACT to amend an Act, entitled "An act to make further provisions for the Public Defence," approved 11th May, 1861; and to amend an Act, entitled "An act to increase the Military Establishment of the Confederate States;" and to amend the "Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States of America."

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the third section of the act, entitled "An act to make further provision for the public defence," approved 11th May, 1861, be amended by striking out of said section the words, "detailed from the regular army;" and further, that the ninth section of the act, entitled "An act to increase the military establishment of the Confederate States," and to amend the "Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States of America," approved 16th May, 1861, be amended, by adding thereto the following clause: "And that the President may, in his discretion, upon the application and recommendation of a major-general, or brigadier-general, appoint from civil life persons to the staff of such officer, who shall have the same rank and pay as if appointed from the army of the Confederate States.

Additional subaltern to volunteer company.

Rank and pay of staff officers appointed by generals from civil life.

APPROVED, August 3, 1861.

No. 203.—AN ACT to provide for an additional Field Officer to Volunteer Battalions, and for the appointment of Assistant Adjutants-General for the Provisional Forces.

Field officers to battalions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Congress of the Confederate States of America*, That the eighth section of the act of March 6th, 1861, "To provide for the public defence," be, and the same is hereby, so far amended, that whenever battalions of volunteers in the service of the Confederate States shall consist of not less than six companies, there may be allowed, in the discretion of the President, to each battalion so constituted two field officers, one with the rank of lieutenant-colonel and the other with the rank of major.

Adjutants-general for volunteers.

SEC. 2. That the President be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint for the volunteer forces in the Confederate service as many assistant adjutants-general as the service may require, whose rank shall correspond with the rank of the assistant adjutants-general in the regular army, and who shall receive the same pay and allowances, according to their respective grades.

APPROVED, August 2, 1861.

No. 207.—AN ACT to amend an Act, entitled "An act making appropriations for the Support of the Navy for the year ending fourth February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two."

Applies to navy yard at Norfolk, part of appropriation for yard at Pensacola.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the eighth item of said act be so amended that thirty thousand dollars be deducted from the appropriation of fifty-four thousand three hundred and sixty-three dollars therein made for the pay of officers and others at the navy yard at Pensacola, and be appropriated to the same objects at the navy yard at Norfolk.

APPROVED, August 3, 1861.

No. 209.—To authorize advances to be made in certain cases.

Advances may be made on contracts.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the Secretary of War, with the approbation of the

President, be authorized, during the existence of the present war, to make advances upon any contract, not to exceed thirty-three and one-third per cent., for arms or munitions of war: *Provided*, That security be first taken, to be approved by the Secretary of War, for the performance of the contract, or for a proper accounting for the said money. Proviso.

APPROVED, August 5, 1861.

No. 213.—AN ACT to provide for the Construction of a newly-invented Implement of War.

WHEREAS, Charles S. Dickinson alleges that he has invented a machine, generally known as "Winan's Gun," whereby balls can be projected with such force, rapidity and precision as to render it a valuable implement of war, both in the army and navy: Purchase of  
"Winan's Gun."

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do therefore enact*, That the President be, and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to cause one machine of this description, calculated to throw balls measuring about three-fourths of an inch in diameter, and weighing about two ounces, to be constructed under the direction of said Dickinson: *Provided*, That the cost thereof shall not exceed five thousand dollars.

APPROVED, August 6, 1861.

No. 215.—AN ACT to authorize the President of the Confederate States to grant Commissions to raise Volunteer Regiments and Battalions, composed of persons who are or have been residents of the States of Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland and Delaware.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President of the Confederate States be and he is hereby authorized to grant commissions to officers above the grade of captain, to such persons as he may think fit, to raise and command volunteer regiments and battalions for the service of the Confederate States; said regiments and battalions to be composed of persons who are or have been residents of the States President may  
appoint field  
officers to regi-  
ments or bat-  
talions raised in  
Confederate  
States.

of Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland or Delaware, and who have enlisted, or may enlist, under said officers, upon the condition, however, that such officers shall not hold rank or receive pay, until such regiments or battalions shall have been raised and are mustered into service.

APPROVED, August 8, 1861.

No. 217.—AN ACT further to provide for the Public Defence.

President may accept any number of volunteers, not exceeding 400,000.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That in order to provide additional forces to repel invasion, maintain the rightful possession of the Confederate States of America, and to secure the independence of the Confederate States, the President be and he is hereby authorized to employ the militia, military and naval forces of the Confederate States of America, and to ask for and accept the services of any number of volunteers, not exceeding four hundred thousand, who may offer their services, either as cavalry, mounted riflemen, artillery or infantry, in such proportions of these several arms as he may deem expedient, to serve for a period of not less than twelve months, nor more than three years after they shall be mustered into service, unless sooner discharged.

Organized and paid under act 6th March, 1861.

SEC. 2. That whenever the militia or volunteers are called and received into the service of the Confederate States, under the provisions of this act, they shall be organized under the act of the 6th of March, 1861, entitled "An act to provide for the public defence," with the same pay and allowances of said act, and the same time for the service of the militia.

Not to interfere with previous acts.

SEC. 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed to extend to or in anywise to alter any act heretofore passed, authorizing the President to receive troops offered directly to the Confederate States for the war, or for any less time.

APPROVED, August 8, 1861.

No. 219.—RESOLUTIONS touching certain points of Maritime Law, and defining the position of the Confederate States in respect thereto.

WHEREAS, The Plenipotentiaries of Great Britain, Austria, France, Prussia, Russia, Sardinia and Turkey, in a conference held at Paris, on the 16th of April, 1856, made certain declarations respecting maritime law, to serve as uniform rules for their guidance, in all cases arising under the principles thus proclaimed: *And whereas*, it being desirable, not only to attain certainty and uniformity as far as may be practicable in maritime law, but also to maintain whatever is just and proper in the established usages of nations, the Confederate States of America deem it important to declare the principles by which they will be governed in their intercourse with the rest of mankind: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America*, 1. That we maintain the right of privateering, as it has long been established by the practice and recognized by the law of nations. Privateering maintained.

2. That the neutral flag covers enemy's goods, with the exception of contraband of war. Neutral flag covers enemy's goods.

3. That neutral goods, with the exception of contraband of war, are not liable to capture under enemy's flag. Neutral goods not liable to capture.

4. That blockades, in order to be binding, must be effectual: that is to say, maintained by a force sufficient really to prevent access to the coast of the enemy. Blockade must be effective.

APPROVED, August 13, 1861.

No. 220.—AN ACT to provide for the Appointment of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons for Hospitals.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to appoint in the Provisional army as many Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons, for the various hospitals of the Confederacy, as may be necessary. President authorized to appoint as many medical officers as necessary.

APPROVED, August 14, 1861.

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No. 225.—AN ACT to aid the State of Missouri in repelling invasion by the United States, and to authorize the admission of said State as a member of the Confederate States of America, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, The people of the State of Missouri have been prevented, by the unconstitutional interference of the government of the United States, from expressing their will through their legally constituted authorities, in regard to a union with the Confederate States of America, and are now engaged in repelling a lawless invasion of their territory by armed forces: *And whereas*, It is the right and duty of the Confederate States to aid the people and government of the said State in resisting such invasion, and in securing the means and the opportunity of expressing their will upon all questions affecting their rights and liberties: Now, therefore,

Co-operation  
with State of  
Missouri.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President of the Confederate States of America be, and he is hereby authorized to co-operate through the military power of this government with the authorities and the people of the State of Missouri in defending that State against a lawless invasion by the United States, and in maintaining the liberty and independence of her people; and that he be authorized and empowered, at his discretion, to receive and muster into the service of the Confederate States, in the State of Missouri, such troops of that State as may volunteer to serve in the army of the Confederate States, subject to the rules and regulations of said army, and in accordance with the laws of Congress; and said troops may be received into service by companies, battalions or regiments, with their officers elected by the troops, and the officers so elected shall be commissioned by the President; and when mustered into service said companies, battalions or regiments may be attached to such brigades or divisions as the President may determine; and the President shall have power to appoint field officers for all battalions and regiments organized out of separate companies mustered into service, and to add to battalions a sufficient number of separate companies to complete their organization into regiments, and to appoint the additional field officers necessary for the complete organization of the regiments so formed; and all vacancies that may occur among the commissioned officers of troops mustered

Missouri troops  
to be accepted.

Officers.

Field officers.

into service under this act, shall be filled in the manner provided in the act, entitled "An act for the establishment and organization of the army of the Confederate States of America," approved sixth March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

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APPROVED, August 20, 1861.

No. 227.—AN ACT to authorize payment to be made for certain Horses purchased for the Army, by Col. A. W. McDonald.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the Secretary of War be and he is hereby authorized to cause payment to be made to the vendors, upon an audit of the accounts of certain horses heretofore purchased, by order of Colonel Angus W. McDonald, to mount the men he was authorized to raise by order of the President of the Confederate States; and upon the payment of the said accounts, said horses shall become the property of the government, and shall be subject to the control of the quartermaster's department: *Provided, however,* That the quartermaster-general shall be and he is hereby empowered to permit said horses to remain in the possession of the volunteers who now have them, subject to the general law controlling cavalry troops, upon the written agreement of said volunteers that said horses will be paid for by them out of the allowances now made for cavalry troops.

Payment to be made for horses purchased for Col. McDonald's regiment.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

No. 228.—AN ACT making appropriation for the Services of Physicians to be employed in conjunction with the Medical Staff of the Army.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That there be appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the sum of fifty thousand dollars for the services of physicians to be employed in conjunction with the medical staff of the army.

Payment of private physicians.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

## No. 229.—AN ACT to provide for Local Defence and Special Service.

Volunteers may be accepted for local defence.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be and he is hereby authorized to accept the services of volunteers of such kind and in such proportion as he may deem expedient, to serve for such time as he may prescribe, for the defence of exposed places or localities, or such special service as he may deem expedient.

Volunteers may be mustered for local defence.

SEC. 2. And such forces shall be mustered into the service of the Confederate States for the local defence or special service aforesaid, the muster roll setting forth distinctly the services to be performed; and the said volunteers shall not be considered in actual service until thereunto specially ordered by the President. And they shall be entitled to pay or subsistence only for such time as they may be on duty under the orders of the President or by his direction.

Organization.

SEC. 3. Such volunteer forces, when so accepted and ordered into service, shall be organized in accordance with and subject to all the provisions of the act, entitled "An act to provide for the public defence," approved March 6th, 1861, and may be attached to such divisions, brigades, regiments or battalions as the President may direct, and when not organized into battalions or regiments before being mustered into service, the President shall appoint the field officers of the battalions and regiments when organized as such by him.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

## No. 230.—AN ACT to authorize the employment of Cooks and Nurses, other than enlisted men or volunteers, for the Military Service.

Cooks and nurses for sick and wounded.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the better to provide for the sick and wounded, the Secretary of War is authorized to direct the employment, when deemed necessary, of nurses and cooks, other than enlisted men or volunteers, the persons so employed being subject to military control, and in no case to receive pay above that allowed to enlisted men or volunteers.

Pay.

SEC. 2. That there be appropriated for the pay of the nurses and cooks, provided for in the above section, one hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

Appropriation for pay.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

No. 233.—AN ACT making Appropriation for Military Hospitals.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the sum of fifty thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the establishment and support of military hospitals during the current fiscal year ending February eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

Support of military hospitals.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

No. 234.—A RESOLUTION in relation to the Equipments of Volunteer Cavalry Companies.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America*, That the Secretary of War be and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to furnish to volunteer cavalry companies, whose services are accepted for the war by the Confederate States, all necessary equipments.

Authority to furnish cavalry with equipments.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

No. 235.—AN ACT to increase the Corps of Artillery, and for other purposes.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That there be added to the corps of artillery, Confederate States army, one lieutenant-colonel and two majors, with the pay and allowances authorized by existing laws for those grades respectively.

One lieutenant-colonel and two majors added to artillery.

SEC. 2. That the President be and he is hereby authorized to appoint, in addition to the storekeepers authorized by the

Military storekeepers of ordnance.

Pay of captain of infantry.

Bonds.

Superintendents of armories.

Master armorers.

Two aids-de-camp for the President.

Adds one sergeant to each company.

fifth section of the act of May sixteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, "for the establishment and organization of the army of the Confederate States," as many military storekeepers of ordnance, with the pay and allowances of a captain of infantry, as the safe-keeping of the public property may require, not to exceed in all four storekeepers, who shall, previous to entering on duty, give bonds with good and sufficient security, in such sums as the Secretary of War may direct, fully to account for all moneys and public property which they may receive.

SEC. 3. That the President be and he is hereby authorized, whenever in his judgment the interests of the service may require, and where officers of the army cannot be assigned to these duties, to appoint one or more superintendents of armories for the fabrication of small arms, whose salary shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, with allowance for quarters and fuel at the rate fixed for a major in the army. And that the President be also authorized to appoint two or more master armorers, with a salary not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars per annum, with allowance of quarters and fuel at the rate fixed for a captain in the army.

SEC. 4. That during the existing war, the President may, as Commander-in-Chief of the Forces, appoint, at his discretion, for his personal staff, two aids-de-camp, with the rank, pay and allowances of a colonel of cavalry.

SEC. 5. That hereafter there shall be allowed one additional sergeant to each company in the service of the Confederate States, making in all five sergeants per company, who shall receive the same pay and allowances as are provided by existing laws for that grade.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

No. 240. —AN ACT to establish a uniform rule of Naturalization for Persons Enlisted in the Armies of the Confederate States of America.

Confers rights of citizen to persons serving in C. S. army.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That every person not a citizen of one of the Confederate States engaged in the military service of the said Confederate States during the existing war against the

United States of America, shall thereby, and whilst in such service, be under the protection of the Confederate States as fully as if he were a citizen thereof, the rights of a citizen being to such extent hereby conferred, and, moreover, shall have the right to become naturalized and to become a citizen of any one of the Confederate States, and shall thereby be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a citizen of said State of the Confederate States upon taking an oath to support the Constitution of such State, and well and faithfully to serve the Confederate States of America, to maintain and support the Constitution and laws thereof, and to renounce all allegiance and obedience to any foreign government, state, sovereignty, prince or potentate, and particularly by name the government, state, sovereignty, prince or potentate of which he may be, or have been, a citizen or subject, and stating which one of the Confederate States he intends to become a citizen of; but if the State in which the said applicant shall have resided next before his application shall afterwards become a member of this Confederacy, the citizenship of said applicant shall remain in said State at his election, notwithstanding proceedings under this act.

SEC. 2. The oath prescribed in the preceding section may Oath.  
 be made by all persons below the rank of colonel, before the colonel or commanding officer of the regiment to which such persons may be attached; and said oath may be made by colonels, and all officers superior in rank to colonels, and by all persons enlisted in the military service of the Confederate States not attached to regiments, before any commissioned officer of the Confederate States of rank higher than that of colonel. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War to provide blank forms of the oath required to be taken as aforesaid, and to cause the same to be distributed whenever necessary, and to make the regulations necessary for informing all persons now engaged in the military service of the Confederate States of the provisions of this act, and to cause all the oaths so taken as aforesaid to be returned to the War Department. And it shall be further the duty of the Secretary of War to file for record, in the District Court of the Confederate States for the State and district where the capital may be situated, all the oaths so returned to the War Department as aforesaid. And it

Secretary of  
 War to inform  
 of provisions of  
 this act.

Clerk of court  
to file oaths of  
naturalization.

Fee.

shall be the duty of the clerk of said district court to record all oaths of naturalization filed with him as aforesaid, and to keep an index of the same; for which service he shall be entitled to a fee of twenty-five cents for each naturalization oath, to be paid out of the public treasury in the same manner as his other fees of office.

APPROVED, August 22, 1861.

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No. 247.—AN ACT making additional appropriations for the Navy of the Confederate States, for the year ending February eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That there be appropriated, out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending February eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the following sums for the Navy:

For the purchase and building of steamers and gun-boats for coast defences of the Confederate States, the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

For repairing and fitting the steamer Merrimac as an iron-clad ship, the sum of one hundred and seventy-two thousand five hundred and twenty-three dollars.

For raising the ships-of-the-line Columbus, Delaware, Pennsylvania and brig Dolphin, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

For pay, subsistence, and other wants of five hundred additional seamen, ordinary seamen, landsmen and boys, and firemen and coal heavers, the sum of ninety thousand dollars.

For medical supplies and surgeon's necessaries, the sum of four thousand dollars.

To pay employees at the Navy Yard, Norfolk, Virginia, from the first day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the sum of six thousand seven hundred dollars.

For floating defences for New Orleans, Louisiana, eight hundred thousand dollars.

To construct sub-marine batteries for the destruction of vessels, fifty thousand dollars.

To construct a centrifugal gun, invented by Charles S. Dickinson, subject to the conditions of the act passed for that purpose, five thousand dollars.

For expenditures in the Ordnance Department of the Navy Yard at Norfolk, for the year ending February eighteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, one hundred and fifteen thousand and fifty-one dollars.

For the construction, equipment and armament of two iron-clad gun-boats, for the defence of the Mississippi river and the city of Memphis, one hundred and sixty thousand dollars.

APPROVED, August 24, 1861.

No. 249.—AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act to create the clerical force of the several Departments of the Confederate States of America and for other purposes," approved March seventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the clerical force of the War Department shall be increased to the extent and in the manner following, to wit:

Increases clerks.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR.—One clerk, at the rate of two thousand dollars per annum; for the payment of whom, from eighteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, there is hereby appropriated the sum of one thousand dollars.

War office.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL.—One clerk at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum; one clerk at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum; one clerk at the rate of eight hundred dollars per annum; for whose payment, from eighteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, there is hereby appropriated the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

Adjutant-general's office.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL, three additional clerks at twelve hundred dollars each per annum; three additional clerks at one thousand dollars each per annum; for whose payment, from eighteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, there is hereby appropriated the sum of three thousand and three hundred dollars.

Quartermaster-general's office.



Commissary-general's office.

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSARY-GENERAL, *for* two clerks at the rate of twelve hundred dollars each per annum; for whose payment, from eighteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, there is hereby appropriated the sum of twelve hundred dollars.

Engineer's office.

FOR THE BUREAU OF ENGINEERS.—One clerk at twelve hundred dollars; one clerk at one thousand dollars; one draughtsman at twelve hundred dollars; for whose payment, from the eighteenth of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to the eighteenth of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, there is hereby appropriated the sum of seventeen hundred dollars.

APPROVED, August 29, 1861.

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No. 252.—AN ACT to authorize the construction of certain Gun-boats.

Three additional gun-boats authorized.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That in addition to the gun-boats heretofore authorized by law, the President be, and he is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to cause to be constructed three others, specially adapted to sea-coast defence.

Appropriation for gun-boats.

SEC. 2. That the sum of four hundred and twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated to the object specified in the foregoing section.

APPROVED, August 29, 1861.

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No. 254.—AN ACT to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to make certain contracts without advertising for proposals.

Secretary of Navy may contract for gun-boats without advertising.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby authorized, in case he should deem it advisable, to contract for building any gun-boats for which appropriations have been, or may be made during the present or any previous session of Congress, or for altering other vessels so as to convert them into gun-boats, without advertising for proposals for such work,

as required by law: *Provided*, That the contracts so made shall be in writing, and shall be placed on file in the Navy Department, and a copy thereof deposited, without delay, in the office of the controller of the treasury. Proviso.

APPROVED, August 29, 1861.

No. 255.—AN ACT making appropriation for the purchase of a steamer and certain military supplies.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the sum of one million of dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purchase of a steamer, and such supplies of leather, shoes, flannel and woollen clothing and blankets for the use of the troops in the service of the Confederate States—the said appropriation to be expended under the direction of the President. Appropriation for purchase of steamer, and of leather, shoes, &c.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

No. 256.—AN ACT to amend the second section of “An act concerning the transportation of soldiers and allowance for clothing of volunteers, and amendatory of the ‘Act for the establishment and organization of the Army of the Confederate States.’”

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby authorized and required to provide, as far as possible, clothing for the entire forces of the Confederate States, and to furnish the same to every regiment or company upon the requisition of the commander thereof, the quantity, quality and kind thereof to be established by regulation of the Department, to be approved by the President; and in case any State shall furnish to its troops and volunteers in the Confederate service such clothing, then the Secretary of War is required to pay over to the Governor of such State the money value of the clothing so furnished. Secretary of War to provide clothing for forces.  
  
States to be reimbursed for clothing furnished.

SEC. 2. The commander of every volunteer company shall have the privilege of receiving commutation for clothing at the Commanders of volunteer companies furnish-

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ing clothing to draw clothing money.

rate of twenty-five dollars per man for every six months, when they shall have furnished their own clothing.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

No. 257.—AN ACT to authorize the establishment of Recruiting Stations for Volunteers from the States of Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland and Delaware.

Stations for recruiting from certain States.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be, and he is hereby authorized to establish recruiting stations within the Confederate States for the reception of volunteers into the military service of the Confederate States from among persons who are, or have been residents of the States of Kentucky, Missouri, Maryland and Delaware.

Captains of companies of such volunteers.

SEC. 2. That the President be authorized to grant commissions as captains to such persons as he may think fit to raise and command companies to be composed of such volunteers; upon the condition, however, that such officers shall not hold rank or receive pay until such companies have been raised and are mustered into service.

Officers of such companies to be appointed by President.

SEC. 3. Whenever such recruits shall amount to a sufficient number to be formed into companies, the President may direct the same to be so organized, appointing all commissioned officers of the several companies in addition to the captains provided for in the preceding section. And such companies may be organized into regiments in like manner under the direction of the President.

No pay until organized.

SEC. 4. Until such recruits shall amount to a sufficient number to be organized into companies, they shall receive no compensation except their clothing and rations.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

No. 260.—AN ACT authorizing the President to inflict Retaliation upon the Persons of Prisoners.

WHEREAS, The Government of the United States has placed in irons and lodged in dungeons, citizens of the Confederate

States acting under the authority of Letters of Marque, issued in accordance with the laws of the Confederate States, by the President thereof, and have otherwise maltreated the same, and have seized and confined sundry other citizens of the said Confederate States, in violation of all principles of humane and civilized warfare: Therefore—

*Be it enacted by the Congress of the Confederate States of America,* That the President be, and he is hereby authorized to select such prisoners taken from the United States, and in such numbers as he may deem expedient, upon the persons of whom he may inflict such retaliation, in such measure and kind as may seem to him just and proper.

President authorized to inflict retaliation.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

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No. 261.—AN ACT to provide for the Defence of the Mississippi River.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That the President be, and he is hereby authorized to cause such floating defences as he may deem best adapted to the protection of the Mississippi river against a descent of iron-plated steam gun-boats, to be constructed or prepared with the least possible delay.

Defence of Mississippi.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

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No. 264.—AN ACT to provide a mode of authenticating claims for money against the Confederate States, not otherwise provided for.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,* That all parties having claims for money against the Government of the Confederate States, for the proof and payment of which there is no mode provided by existing laws, before receiving payment of the same, shall file them in the office of the Attorney General, and shall produce before said officer, at such time and in such manner as he shall appoint, their testimony proving or tending to prove such claims. And, at the next succeeding session of Congress after the hear-

Claims to be filed at office of attorney-general.

Attorney-general to report claims to Congress.

ing of proof, or at any session of Congress during which a hearing of proof upon any claim is had by the Attorney General, he shall report to the Congress such claims as he has allowed and recommend their payment, and he shall also report such claims, as he has refused to allow.

Claims against U. S. to be filed with attorney-general.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That all citizens of the Confederate States holding demands against the government of the United States, may file the same in the office of the Attorney General; and the Attorney General shall hear proof of such claims, and cause such proof to be taken down in writing and filed in his office; or he may, in his discretion, permit written testimony, taken by deposition, or in answer to interrogatories filed, to be placed on file in his office, as evidence of such claims. But he shall not pass upon the sufficiency of such evidence, nor make a report to Congress upon such claims, until the close of the existing war.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

No. 272.—AN ACT to amend an act entitled "An act recognizing the existence of War between the United States and the Confederate States, and concerning Letters of Marque, Prizes and Prize Goods," approved May sixth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one; and an act entitled "An act regulating the Sale of Prizes and the Distribution thereof," approved May sixteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

Bulk may be broken on prizes under circumstances.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the seventh section of the first above recited act be so amended as to permit and authorize the breaking of bulk and the removal by the captors of the whole or any part of the goods found on board a captured vessel whenever such removal may be necessary for the safe carriage of such vessel into port, and also in all cases where, by grounding or otherwise, the securing of the cargo, or any part thereof, may require the removal: *Provided*, That the person in command of the vessel making such capture shall, as soon as practicable, after landing the cargo or any part thereof, cause an exact inventory of the same to be made by the nearest magistrate, wherein shall be specified each and every article so landed, and the marks, if any thereon, and forward the same immediately to the Collector of the nearest port; the property so landed shall

Proviso.

remain in the custody of such magistrate, and he shall retain possession thereof until the same can be delivered to the marshal; and the court before which such cargo shall be brought, in case the same be condemned, may allow such compensation to the magistrate as to the court may seem just and proper: *And provided further*, That when such removal shall be made for the purpose of lightening over bars and shoals, and the goods removed shall, as soon thereafter as practicable, be returned on board the prize vessel, the same may be carried to port as if no removal had been made; and no delivery, as provided in the preceding clause, to a magistrate shall be required. Proviso.

SEC. 2. That the first section of the last above recited act be so amended as to allow the judge of a prize court, wherein any condemnation may be had, to order and decree that the said vessel and the cargo, or any part thereof, may, in his discretion, and to enhance the value thereof, be sold by the marshal of the adjoining District, and at such place therein as he may designate: *Provided always*, That the duties upon all dutiable goods shall be paid from the proceeds of sale. Extends place of sale.  
Proviso.

APPROVED, August 30, 1861.

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No. 275.—AN ACT to authorize the appointment from Civil Life of Persons to the Staffs of Generals.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President may, in his discretion, upon the application and recommendation of a General of the Confederate States Army, appoint from civil life, persons to the staff authorized by law of such officer, who shall have the same rank and pay as if appointed from the Army of the Confederate States. President may appoint staff to general officers.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 276.—AN ACT providing for the appointment of Adjutants of Regiments and Legions, of the grade of Subaltern, in addition to the Subalterns attached to Companies.

Authorizes adjutants other than subaltern taken from regiments.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,*  
That adjutants of regiments and legions may be appointed by the President, upon the recommendation of the colonel thereof, of the grade of subaltern, in addition to the subaltern officers attached to companies, and said adjutants, when so appointed, shall have the same rank, pay and allowances as are provided by law to adjutants of regiments.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 277.—AN ACT providing for the reception and forwarding of Articles sent to the Army by Private Contribution.

Clothing and necessaries to be forwarded.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,*  
That the Secretary of War be authorized and required to make all necessary arrangements for the reception and forwarding of clothes, shoes, blankets, and other articles of necessity that may be sent to the army by private contribution.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 278.—AN ACT to allow Rations to Chaplains in the Army.

One ration to chaplains.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,*  
That Chaplains in the Army be, and they are hereby allowed the same rations as privates.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 283.—A RESOLUTION in relation to Drillmasters appointed by States.

WHEREAS, Under the authority of some of the States, Drillmasters were attached to various regiments; and whereas, such officers are not recognized by the laws of the Confederate

States, and consequently were not mustered into service; and Drillmasters. whereas, several of such Drillmasters have nevertheless continued to do effective service, voluntarily, with their respective regiments: Therefore—

*Resolved*, That such Drillmasters be granted an honorable discharge whenever they shall apply therefor. May be discharged.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 287.—RESOLUTIONS to provide Troops in the field with Bread and fresh Provisions.

*Resolved by the Congress of the Confederate States of America*, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby directed to furnish to such of our troops in the field as desire it, upon requisition made, and whenever practicable, in lieu of the usual ration of flour an equivalent of well-baked bread; to this end he is authorized to establish bakeries in such numbers and at such points as may be necessary, or to make contracts for the supply of such bread. Bread and bakeries.

*Resolved*, That a daily ration of fresh vegetables be furnished to all troops whenever the same can be provided at reasonable cost and charges to the Government. Vegetables.

APPROVED, August 31, 1861.

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No. 290.—AN ACT to authorize the President to continue the appointments made by him, in the Military and Naval service, during the recesses of Congress, or the last or present session, and to submit them to Congress at its next session.

*The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That the President be authorized to continue the appointments made by him, in the Military and Naval service, during the recesses of Congress, or during the last or present session, and to submit them to Congress at the commencement of its next session. Appointments during last Congress and recesses.

APPROVED, September 3, 1861.



No. 232—AN ACT making appropriations for the Public Defence.

Fifty-seven mil-  
lions for public  
defence.

SECTION 1. *The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact*, That there be appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the year ending the eighteenth February, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, the sum of fifty-seven millions dollars for the pay of officers and privates of the army, volunteers and militia in the public service of the Confederate States; for Quartermaster's supplies of all kinds, transportation and other necessary expenses; for the purchase of subsistence, stores and commissary property for the ordnance service in all its branches; for engineering, and for the surgical and medical service of the army, in all supplies and necessary expenditures.

Applicable as  
Secretary of  
War may direct.

SEC. 2. That the above appropriation shall be distributed amongst the several objects of appropriation above specified, in such proportions as shall be determined by the Secretary of War, with the approval of the President.

APPROVED, August 21, 1861.

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