

the commissary, sary to the quartermaster-general's and commissary-general's departments.

The quartermaster-general authorized to appoint a principal wagon-master, &c. to provide and conduct the wagons, &c.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That the quartermaster-general be authorized to appoint a principal wagon-master, and as many wagon-masters as he may judge necessary for the service of the army, not exceeding one to each brigade, whose duty it shall be, under the direction of the quartermaster-general, or any of his deputies, to provide and conduct the wagons, and other means of transport, necessary and proper for the military service of the United States.

Wagon-masters not to be concerned in wagons, &c. except, as agents, &c.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That no wagon-master shall, directly or indirectly, be concerned or interested in any wagon, or means of transport, employed in the service of the United States, nor in the purchase or sale of any horses, harness, wagons, or other means of transport, procured for, or belonging to, the United States, except as agent for the United States.

Pay, &c. of wagon-masters.

SEC. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That the principal wagon-master shall be entitled to receive forty dollars per month, three rations per day, and forage for one horse; and each wagon-master shall be entitled to receive thirty dollars per month, two rations per day, and forage for one horse.

The quartermaster-general authorized to appoint a principal forage-master, &c. to provide and deliver out forage.

SEC. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That the quartermaster-general be authorized to appoint one principal forage-master, and as many assistant forage-masters, as the nature of the service may require, not exceeding one to each brigade, whose duty shall be, under the direction of the quartermaster-general, or any of his deputies, to provide and deliver out forage necessary and proper for the military service of the United States; nor shall any forage-master be, directly or indirectly, concerned in the purchase or sale of any article of forage procured for or belonging to the United States, except as an agent for the United States.

No forage-master to be concerned in the purchase or sale of forage, except as agents, &c.

SEC. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That the principal forage-master shall be entitled to receive forty dollars per month, three rations per day, and forage for two horses; and that the other forage-masters shall be entitled to receive thirty dollars per month, two rations per day, and forage for one horse.

Pay, &c. of forage-masters.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be four conductors of artillery, who shall be appointed by the President alone, each of whom shall be entitled to the pay and emoluments of a lieutenant of artillery.

Four conductors of artillery, to be appointed by the President, &c.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall go into operation on the first day of April next; and that so much of the act fixing the military peace establishment of the United States,* as respects the appointment of military agents and assistant military agents, be, and the same is hereby, repealed, from and after that day; but all those agents shall continue to perform their respective duties in the mean time, and until the de-

* See chapter 49, section 3.

puty and assistant deputy-quartermasters shall be appointed and ready to enter on the execution of their respective offices; to whom the said military agents and assistant military agents shall then deliver all the public stores and property in their possession.

SEC. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That all persons attached to the public service by virtue of this act, shall be subject to military law, except the deputy commissaries.

SEC. 20. *And be it further enacted*, That the President may, and hereby is, authorized, in the recess of the senate, to appoint the quartermaster-general, deputy quartermasters, commissary-general, and deputy-commissaries, or any of them; which appointments shall be submitted to the Senate at their next session, for their advice and consent.

[Approved, March 28, 1812.]

CHAPTER 69.

An act in addition to the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force," passed January the eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, empowered to cause to be enlisted, for the term of eighteen months, unless sooner discharged, such part of the light dragoons, artillery, and infantry, authorized by the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force," as he may deem expedient: *Provided*, The whole number, so to be enlisted for eighteen months, shall not exceed fifteen thousand, any thing in the said recited act to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, so to be enlisted, shall be entitled to the bounty of sixteen dollars, and the same pay, clothing, and rations, the same provisions for wounds or disabilities, and to all other allowances, (the bounty in land excepted,) provided by the said before recited act, for the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, who may be raised under the same, and shall be held to perform the same duties, and be subject to the same rules and regulations.

[Approved, April 8, 1812.]

* See original act, chapter 65, with the note thereon.

The military agents to continue to perform their duties in the meantime, &c.

Persons attached to the public service by this act, subject to military law, except, &c.

The President may appoint the quartermaster-general, commissary-general, &c. in the recess, &c. to be submitted at the next session, &c.

The President of the U. S. empowered to cause to be enlisted, for the term of eighteen months, unless, &c. such part of the light dragoons, artillery, &c. authorized by the act mentioned.

Proviso; the whole number to be enlisted for 18 months not to exceed 15,000, &c.

The non-commissioned officers, privates, &c. to be entitled to the bounty of \$16, &c. except the bounty in land, &c.

CHAPTER 70.

An act for the organization of a corps of artificers.*

A corps of artificers to be attached to the quartermaster-general's department, &c.
Organization of the corps of artificers.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That there shall be attached to the quartermaster-general's department, and subject to the orders of the officers thereof, a corps of artificers, to consist of one superintendent, to be appointed by the President of the United States, four assistants, two master-masons, two master-carpenters, two master-blacksmiths, two master-boat-builders, two master-armorers, two master-saddle and harness-makers, twenty house-carpenters, five ship-carpenters, twenty blacksmiths, sixteen boat-builders, sixteen armorers, twelve saddle and harness-makers, and twenty-four laborers, to be selected from the privates of the army, when authorized thereto by the commanding-general, or engaged from among the citizens by the superintendent.

Pay, &c. of the superintendent of artificers, assistants, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the pay of the superintendent of artificers shall be forty-five dollars per month, three rations per day, and forage for one horse; that the pay of the four assistants be, each, thirty dollars per month, and two rations per day; that the pay of the twelve master-workmen be, each, thirty dollars per month, and one ration and one half of a ration per day; that the pay of the other workmen be, each, sixteen dollars per month, and one ration and one half of a ration per day.

The superintendent to report once a month, to the quartermaster-general, make out the pay roll on oath, &c. execute all orders, &c.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the superintendent of artificers to render a correct report, once each month, of the corps, to the quartermaster-general, and on oath to make out the pay roll thereof; which pay roll shall be examined by the quartermaster-general, or, in his absence, by one of the deputy-quartermasters, and by him be countersigned; and faithfully, and without delay, to execute all such orders as he may receive from the secretary of war, any officer of the quartermaster's department, or from the officer commanding in the field or garrison to which his corps, or any part thereof, may be attached.

The corps to be engaged for three years, unless, &c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That this corps shall be engaged for and during the term of three years, unless sooner discharged by the President of the United States.

\$30,000 appropriated for defraying the expense that may be incurred under this act. &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That, for defraying the expense that may be incurred in the execution of this act, the sum of thirty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved, April 23, 1812.]

* Superseded by act of 3d March, 1815, chapter 100.

CHAPTER 71.

An act making further provision for the corps of engineers.*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,* That there be added to the corps of engineers two captains, two first lieutenants, two second lieutenants, with the usual pay and emoluments, according to their grades, respectively, and one paymaster, to be taken from the subalterns of engineers, with the pay and emoluments of a regimental paymaster; and that there be attached to the said corps, either from the troops now in service, or by new enlistments, as the President of the United States may direct, four sergeants, four corporals, one teacher of music, four musicians, nineteen artificers, and sixty-two men, which non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and men, together with the artificers and men already belonging to the corps of engineers, shall be formed into a company, to be styled a company of bombardiers, sappers, and miners, and be officered from the corps of engineers, according as the commanding officer of that corps may, with the approbation of the President of the United States, direct; and the said non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and men, shall be allowed the same pay and emoluments as are allowed to the non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and men, in the regiment of artillerists.

Officers to be added to the corps of engineers.
A company of bombardiers, sappers, and miners, to be formed, to be officered from the corps of engineers, &c.
Non-commissioned officers, artificers, &c. allowed the same pay, &c. as in the regiment of artillerists.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the military academy shall consist of the corps of engineers, and the following professors, in addition to the teachers of the French language and drawing already provided, viz: one professor of natural and experimental philosophy, with the pay and emoluments of lieutenant-colonel, if not an officer of the corps, and, if taken from the corps, then so much in addition to his pay and emoluments of a major, if not an officer of the corps, and, if taken from the corps, then so much in addition to his pay and emoluments as shall equal those of a major; one professor of the art of engineering in all its branches, with the pay and emoluments as shall equal those of a lieutenant-colonel: one professor of mathematics, with the pay and emoluments of a major, if not an officer of the corps, and, if taken from the corps, then so much in addition to his pay and emoluments as shall equal those of a major; each of the foregoing professors to have an assistant professor, which assistant professor shall be taken from the most prominent characters of the officers or cadets, and receive the pay and emoluments of captains, and no other pay or emoluments, while performing these duties: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall entitle the academical staff, as such, to any command in the army separate from the academy.

* See act of 16th of March, 1802, chapter 49, section 26.

The cadets not to exceed 250.

Regulations concerning the organization, discipline, age, qualifications, and term of service of cadets.

When a cadet receives a regular degree, &c. he is to be considered as among the candidates for a commission, &c. and when there is no vacancy in a corps, he may be attached to it as a supernumerary officer, &c. Proviso; not more than one supernumerary officer to one company. \$25,000 appropriated for erecting buildings, providing apparatus, a library, &c.

So much of the 26th section of the act fixing the military peace establishment as confines the selection of the commander, &c. to the corps of engineers, repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the cadets, heretofore appointed in the service of the United States, whether of artillery, cavalry, riflemen, or infantry, or that may in future be appointed as hereinafter provided, shall at no time exceed two hundred and fifty: that they may be attached, at the discretion of the President of the United States, as students to the military academy, and be subject to the established regulations thereof; that they shall be arranged into companies of non-commissioned officers and privates, according to the directions of the commandant of engineers, and be officered from the said corps, for the purpose of military instruction; that there shall be added to each company of cadets four musicians; and the said corps shall be trained and taught all the duties of a private, non-commissioned officer, and officer; be encamped at least three months of each year, and taught all the duties incident to a regular camp; that the candidates for cadets be not under the age of fourteen, nor above the age of twenty-one years; that each cadet, previously to his appointment by the President of the United States, shall be well versed in reading, writing, and arithmetic, and that he shall sign articles, with the consent of his parent or guardian, by which he shall engage to serve five years, unless sooner discharged; and all such cadets shall be entitled to and receive the pay and emoluments now allowed by law to cadets in the corps of engineers.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That when any cadet shall receive a regular degree from the academical staff, after going through all the classes, he shall be considered as among the candidates for a commission in any corps, according to the duties he may be judged competent to perform; and in case there shall not, at the time, be a vacancy in such corps, he may be attached to it at the discretion of the President of the United States, by brevet of the lowest grade, as a supernumerary officer, with the usual pay and emoluments of such grade, until a vacancy shall happen: *Provided*, That there shall not be more than one supernumerary officer to any one company at the same time.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, for erecting buildings, and for providing an apparatus, a library, and all necessary implements, and for such contingent expenses as may be necessary and proper, in the judgment of the President of the United States, for such an institution.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the twenty-sixth section of the act, entitled "An act fixing the military peace establishment," passed the sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and two, as confines the selection of the commander of the corps of engineers to the said corps, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

[Approved, April 29, 1812.]

CHAPTER 72.

An act to provide for designating, surveying, and granting, the military bounty lands.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to cause to be surveyed a quantity of the public lands of the United States, fit for cultivation, not otherwise appropriated, and to which the Indian title is extinguished, not exceeding, in the whole, six millions of acres; two millions to be surveyed in the territory of Michigan, two millions in the Illinois territory, north of the Illinois river, and two millions in the territory of Louisiana, between the river St. Francis and the river Arkansas; the said lands to be divided into townships, and subdivided into sections and quarter sections, (each quarter section to contain, as near as possible, one hundred and sixty acres,) in the manner prescribed by law for surveying and subdividing the other public lands of the United States, the same price to be allowed for surveying as is fixed for surveying the other public lands in the same territory. And the lands thus surveyed, with the exception of the salt springs and lead mines therein, and of the quantities of land adjacent thereto, as may be reserved for the use of the same by the President of the United States, and the section number sixteen in every township, to be granted to the inhabitants of such township for the use of public schools, shall be set apart and reserved for the purpose of satisfying the bounties of one hundred and sixty acres, promised to the non-commissioned officers and soldiers of the United States, their heirs and legal representatives, by the act, entitled "An act for completing the existing military establishment,"* approved the twenty-fourth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eleven, and by the act, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force,"† approved the eleventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twelve.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the secretary for the department of war, for the time being, shall, from time to time, issue warrants for the military land bounties to the persons entitled thereto by the two last mentioned acts, or either of them: *Provided always*, That such warrants shall be issued only in the names of the persons thus entitled, and be, by them or their representatives, applied for within five years after the same persons shall have become entitled thereto; and the said warrants shall not be assignable or transferable in any manner whatever.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That every person in whose favor such warrants shall have been issued, shall, on

The President to cause to be surveyed not exceeding 6,000,000 of acres of public land &c.

2,000,000 in each of the territories of Michigan, Illinois, and Louisiana.

The lands surveyed, with the exceptions mentioned to be set apart for satisfying the bounties of 160 acres promised to non-commissioned officers, and soldiers.

The secretary of war to issue warrants for the military land bounties, &c.

Proviso; the warrants to be issued in the names of the persons entitled to be applied for within five years, and not assignable, &c. Persons in whose favor warrants have been issued,

* See chapter 64, section 2.

† See chapter 65, section 12.

on delivering them at the general land office, to be entitled to draw, by lot, one of the quarter sections, &c. in either of the territories, and a patent to be granted without fee.

delivery of the same at the office of the secretary of the treasury, or of such other officer as may at the time have, by law, the superintendence of the general land office of the United States at the seat of government, be entitled to draw, by lot, in such manner as the officer at the head of the land office, under the direction of the President of the United States, may prescribe, one of the quarter sections surveyed by virtue of the first section of this act, in either of the said territories which the person in whose favor such warrant has issued may designate. And a patent shall thereupon be granted to such person, for such quarter section, without requiring any fee therefor.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That no claim for the military land bounties aforesaid shall be assignable or transferable in any manner whatever, until after a patent shall have been granted in the manner aforesaid. All sales, mortgages, contracts, or agreements, of any nature whatever, made prior thereto, for the purpose, or with intent, of alienating, pledging, or mortgaging, any such claim, are hereby declared, and shall be held, null and void; nor shall any tract of land, granted as aforesaid, be liable to be taken in execution or sold, on account of any such sale, mortgage, contract, or agreement, or on account of any debt contracted prior to the date of the patent, either by the person originally entitled to the land, or by his heirs or legal representatives, or by virtue of any process, or suit at law, or judgment of court, against a person entitled to receive his patent as aforesaid.

[Approved, May 6, 1812.]

CHAPTER 73.

An act for the better regulation of the ordnance.*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That there be, and hereby is, established an ordnance department, to consist of a commissary-general of ordnance, an assistant commissary-general, four deputy commissaries,† and as many assistant deputy commissaries‡ as the President of the United States may think necessary, not exceeding eight.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general be authorized, from time to time, to employ as many wheelwrights, carriage makers, blacksmiths, and laborers, as the public service may, in his judgment, require.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general of ordnance shall be entitled to the rank, pay, and

* Repealed and supplied by act of 8th February, 1815, chapter 99.
† See supplementary act, chapter 89. ‡ See chapter 84, section 6.

emoluments, of a colonel of infantry, and be further allowed at the rate of five hundred dollars per year, and four rations per day, for clerks in his department: the assistant commissary-general of ordnance shall be entitled to the rank, pay, and emoluments, of major of infantry, with three additional rations per day; the deputy commissaries of ordnance shall be entitled to the rank, pay, and emoluments, of a captain of infantry, with two additional rations per day, and forage for one horse; the assistant deputies shall have the rank, pay, and emoluments of a second lieutenant of infantry, with one additional ration per day.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That a master wheelwright, and carriage maker, and a master blacksmith, be allowed thirty dollars, each, per month, and one ration and one half of a ration per day; that any other wheelwrights, carriage makers, and blacksmiths, be allowed, each, sixteen dollars per month, and one ration and one half of a ration per day; that the laborers, each, be allowed nine dollars per month, and one ration per day.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the commissary-general of ordnance to direct the inspection and proving of all pieces of ordnance, cannon balls, shells, and shot, procured for the use of the army of the United States; and to direct the construction of all carriages, and every apparatus for ordnance, for garrison and field service, and all ammunition wagons, pontons, and travelling forges; also the direction of laboratories, the inspection and proving the public powder, and the preparing all kinds of ammunition for garrison and field service; and shall, half yearly, examine all ordnance, carriages, ammunition, and apparatus, in the respective fortresses, magazines, and arsenals, and cause the same to be preserved and kept in good order.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general of ordnance shall execute all orders issued by the secretary for the department of war, in conveying all ordnance, ammunition, and apparatus, to the respective armies, garrisons, magazines, and arsenals; and, in time of war, he shall execute all orders of any general officer, commanding in any army or garrison, for the supply of ordnance, ammunition, carriages, pontons, forges, furnaces, or apparatus, for garrison, field, or siege service, and forward the same, without delay, and in good condition.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general of ordnance shall, half yearly, transmit to the department of war a correct return of all ordnance, ammunition, military stores and effects, in the respective garrisons, arsenals, magazines, posts, and camps, with a statement of their order, quality, and condition; and also what may be necessary to keep up an ample supply of each and every article in the ordnance department, and shall, in all things, faithfully and without delay, execute the orders of the secretary for the department of war touching the same.

The superintendents of military stores, keepers of magazines, &c. to make, half yearly, correct returns to the commissary-general, and the assistant commissary-general to execute all orders, &c.

The commissary-general of ordnance to make a correct report, from time to time of artificers and laborers employed, &c.

\$20,000 appropriated for defraying the expense that may be incurred under this act, &c.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That, the superintendents of military stores, keepers of magazines and arsenals, shall, half yearly, make correct returns, to the commissary-general of ordnance, of all military stores that they respectively have in charge; and that the assistant commissary-general of ordnance, the deputy commissaries, and assistant deputies, shall, faithfully and without delay, execute all orders that shall be issued by the secretary for the department of war, the commanding general, in time of war, of any corps, camp, or garrison, or of the commissary-general of ordnance, in their respective departments, by virtue of this act.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That the commissary-general of ordnance shall make a correct report of the artificers and laborers, from time to time, employed by him, and transmit the same to the adjutant-general.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That, for defraying the expense that may be incurred in the execution of this act, the sum of twenty thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, to be paid out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

[Approved, May 14, 1812.]

CHAPTER 74.

An act making further provision for the army of the United States.*

The President empowered to appoint as many district paymasters as the service may require, &c.

Proviso; the pay of a district paymaster not to exceed that of a major, &c.

The President authorized to appoint a paymaster to each regiment on the peace establishment, &c.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to appoint so many district paymasters as, in his judgment, the service may require; and if such paymasters are taken from the line of the army, they shall, respectively, receive thirty dollars per month, in addition to their pay in the line: *Provided*, The same shall in no case exceed the pay and emoluments of a major; and if not taken from the line, they shall receive the same pay and emoluments as a major of infantry.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and empowered to appoint a paymaster to each regiment on the peace establishment, who shall receive the same pay and emoluments as a captain of the regiment to which he belongs: *Provided*,

*The provisions of this act, with the exception of section 7, may be considered repealed by the act of 3d March, 1815, chap. 100, not being therein recognized. Section 7, being a part of the rules and articles of war, is expressly recognized and continued by that act. So much of it however, as applies to the crime of desertion, is repealed by the act of 2d March, 1833, chap. 159, which, of course, revives the original act to that extent.

That all district and regimental paymasters shall be subject to the rules and articles of war, and give such bonds to the United States as the secretary for the department of war may direct, for the faithful performance of their duties. And it shall be the duty of the commanding officer, when requested by the paymaster, to furnish a capable non-commissioned officer or soldier to aid him in the discharge of his duty, who, while so employed, shall receive double pay.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized to appoint, from the captains and subalterns of the line of the army, so many sub-inspectors as the service may require, not exceeding one to each brigade; and such sub-inspectors shall each receive twenty-four dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That each brigade-major, provided by law, shall be allowed twenty-four dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the general commanding the army of the United States shall be allowed a secretary, to be taken from the line of the army, who shall receive twenty-four dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line, and shall be allowed forage for two horses.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That, in addition to the non-commissioned officers and privates allowed to the regiment of light artillery, each company shall be entitled to twelve drivers of artillery, who shall be enlisted for five years, unless sooner discharged, and receive the same pay, rations, and clothing, as the privates of the army: *Provided*, Such drivers of artillery shall, at all times, be liable to do duty in the ranks when the company shall not be mounted.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That so much of the "Act for establishing rules and articles for the government of the armies of the United States," as authorizes the infliction of corporeal punishment by stripes or lashes, be, and the same hereby is, repealed.

[Approved May 16, 1812.]

CHAPTER 75.

An act to amend an act, entitled "An act to establish a quartermaster's department, and for other purposes."*

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That neither the quartermaster-general, the commissary-general, nor their de-

*See original act, chapter 63, with the note annexed thereto, the latter part of which, is applicable to sections 1, 3, and 4 of this act.

puties, &c. to be concerned, for commercial purposes, in the purchase or sale of any article intended for their respective departments, &c. except, &c.

sary-general, nor any or either of their deputies or assistant deputies, shall be concerned, directly or indirectly, in the purchase or sale, for commercial purposes, of any article intended for, making a part of, or appertaining to, their respective departments, except for, and on account of, the United States; nor shall they, or either of them, take or apply to his or their own use, any gain or emolument for negotiating or transacting any business in their respective departments, other than what is or may be allowed by law.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the quartermaster-general be, and he is hereby, empowered to appoint, one principal barrack-master, and as many deputy barrack-masters as may, from time to time, be necessary, not exceeding one to each separate barrack or cantonment; which said principal barrack-master shall be entitled to receive the same pay, rations, and emoluments as the principal forage-master; and each of his deputies, the same pay, rations, and emoluments, as is by law allowed to a deputy forage-master.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, in addition to the allowance made to the quartermaster-general and commissary-general, respectively, in and by the act hereby amended, it shall and may be lawful for the secretary for the department of war for the time being, to allow to them, respectively, such sums as, in his opinion, shall have been actually and necessarily expended in their several departments for office rent, fuel, candles, and extra clerk hire.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That the quartermaster-general, the deputy quartermasters, and the assistant deputy quartermasters, shall, before they, or either of them, enter upon the duties of their appointment, respectively enter into bond, with sufficient security, to be approved of by the secretary of war, conditioned for the faithful expenditure of all public moneys, and accounting for all public property, which may come to their hands, respectively; and the quartermaster-general shall not be liable for any money or property that may come into the hands of the subordinate officers of his department.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the sixth section of the act hereby amended, be, and the same is hereby, repealed. [Approved, May 22, 1812.]

CHAPTER 76.

An act for the more perfect organization of the army of the United States.*

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the infantry of the army of the United States shall consist of 25 regiments.

* This act, with the exception of that part of section 5 which relates to the rule of promotions, is superseded by act of 3d March, 1815, chapter 100.

sist of twenty-five regiments, and that a regiment shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant-colonel, one major, one adjutant, one paymaster, one quartermaster, one surgeon, two surgeon's mates, one sergeant-major, one quartermaster-sergeant, two principal musicians, and ten companies.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That each company shall consist of one captain, one first lieutenant, one second lieutenant, one ensign, four sergeants, six corporals, two musicians, and ninety privates.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That, to the regiment of cavalry, authorized by the act, passed January eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, entitled "An act to raise an additional military force,"* there shall be added one riding-master; and to the regiment of light dragoons authorized by the act, passed April twelfth, one thousand eight hundred and eight, entitled "An act to raise for a limited time, an additional military force,"† one surgeon's mate.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That each troop of cavalry, or light dragoons, shall consist of one captain, one first lieutenant, one second lieutenant, one cornet, four sergeants, six corporals, two musicians, one master of the sword, one saddler, one farrier, one blacksmith, and sixty-four privates; and the pay and emolument of a master of the sword shall be the same as those of a riding-master, and the pay and emolument of a blacksmith shall be the same as those of a farrier.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the military establishment authorized by law previous to the twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eight, and the additional military force raised by virtue of the act of the twelfth of April, one thousand eight hundred and eight, be, and the same are hereby, incorporated; and that, from and after the passing of this act, the promotions shall be made through the lines of artillery, light artillery, dragoons, riflemen, and infantry, respectively, according to established rule.

[Approved, June 26, 1812.]

CHAPTER 77.

An act respecting the pay of the army of the United States.†

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, of the army of the United States, shall receive the same pay, forage, rations, clothing, and other emoluments, as soldiers

* Chapter 65.

† Chapter 57.

† Superseded by act of 3d March, 1815, which refers to and adopts the provisions of the same act in respect to pay, &c.