officers.

President may ap- 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.

Pay and allowances of the forces received.

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 To be subject to army of the Confederate States, and shall be subject to the same rules

army rules.

and government. Approved February 28, 1861.

March 1, 1861.

CHAP. XXIII.-An Act Supplemental to an act to Regulate the Rates of Postage, and for other purposes.

Pre-payment of postage in money.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That until postage stamps and stamped envelopes can be procured and distributed, the Postmaster General may order the postage of the Confederacy to be pre-paid in money, under such rules and regulations as he may adopt. SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That until otherwise provided by law,

Postmaster General mail

anthorized to contract the Postmaster General may contract with any line of steamers for the transportation of the transportation of mail matter between the ports of this Confederacy and the ports of foreign governments: Provided, That the rates of postage shall not exceed the rates allowed by the present laws of the United States for similar service, and the compensation to be paid shall not exceed the income from postage on such matter.

Rates of postage.

APPROVED March 1, 1861.

March 2, 1861.

CHAP. XXIV.—An Act to admit Texas as a Member of the Confederate States of America.

State of Texas admitted into the Confederacy.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That the State of Texas be and is hereby admitted as a member of this Confederacy, upon an equal footing with the other Confederate States.

APPROVED March 2, 1861.

March 5, 1861.

Chap XXV.—An Act to repeal so much of the Laws of the Confederate States of America as prohibit the introduction of Liquors, except in casks or vessels of or above certain named capacity, and for other purposes.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact,

Laws prohibiting

the importation of That all laws and parts of laws which prohibit the importation into liquors, except in That all laws and parts of laws which prohibit the importation into casks, etc., repealed; this Confederacy of beer, ale or porter, or distilled spirits, except in also laws requiring casks or vessels not below certain prescribed capacities, also all laws sugars to be imported in certain vessels and requiring loaf and refined sugars to be brought in in vessels of a cer-

packages.

tain tonnage and in packages of certain sizes, be and the same are hereby repealed. And hereafter it shall be lawful to import the same, subject to the payment of the duties prescribed by law, in such quantities as the importer shall choose.

Approved March 5, 1861.