

the sinking fund, to cause to be applied and paid out of the said fund, yearly and every year, such sum and sums as may be annually wanted to discharge the annual interest accruing on the stock which may be created by virtue of this act. The said commissioners are hereby authorized to apply, from time to time, such sum and sums out of the said fund as they may think proper, towards redeeming by purchase, or by reimbursement, in conformity with the provisions of this act, the principal of the said stock. And such part of the annual sum of eight millions of dollars, vested by law in the said commissioners, as may be necessary and wanting for the above purposes, shall be and continue appropriated to the payment of interest and redemption of the public debt, until the whole of the stock which may be created under the provisions of this act shall have been redeemed or reimbursed.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed in anywise to alter, abridge or impair the rights of those creditors of the United States who shall not subscribe to the loan to be opened by virtue of this act.

APPROVED, July 6, 1812.

STATUTE I.

July 6, 1812.

[Obsolete.]

Agents may be appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury for the sale of stock of the United States.

Act of March 14, 1812, ch. 41.

CHAP. CXXXVI.—*An Act supplementary to the act entitled "An act authorizing a Loan for a sum not exceeding eleven millions of dollars."*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized to employ, with the approbation of the President of the United States, an agent or agents for the purpose of selling, in conformity with the provisions of the act, entitled "An act authorizing a loan for a sum not exceeding eleven millions of dollars," any part of the stock created by virtue of the said act. A commission not exceeding one eighth of one per cent. on the amount thus sold, may by the Secretary of the Treasury be allowed to such agent or agents; and a sum not exceeding five thousand five hundred dollars, to be paid out of any monies in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, is hereby appropriated for paying the amount of such commission or commissions as may be thus allowed.

APPROVED, July 6, 1812.

STATUTE I.

July 6, 1812.

[Obsolete.]

Act of March 3, 1815, ch. 78.

Two additional brigadier generals may be appointed by the President.

1812, ch. 14.

Additional deputy adjutant generals, &c. may be appointed from the line of the army.

CHAP. CXXXVII.—*An Act making further provision for the Army of the United States, and for other purposes.*

*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 by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint two brigadier generals, in addition to those already authorized by law, who shall each be entitled to the same number of aids and brigade majors as are allowed to a brigadier general under the act of Congress passed the eleventh of January, one thousand eight hundred and twelve. And the said brigadier generals, aids and brigade majors, shall be entitled to receive the same pay and emoluments as are by law allowed to officers of the same grade.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That to any army of the United States, other than that in which the adjutant general, inspector general, quartermaster general and paymaster of the army, shall serve, it shall be lawful for the President to appoint one deputy adjutant general, one deputy inspector general, one deputy quartermaster general, and one deputy paymaster general, who shall be taken from the line of the army, and who shall each, in addition to his pay and other emoluments, be entitled to fifty dollars per month, which shall be in full compensation for his

extra services. And that there shall be to each of the foregoing deputies such number of assistant deputies (not exceeding three to each department) as the public service may require, who shall in like manner be taken from the line, and who shall each be entitled to thirty dollars per month, in addition to his pay and other emoluments, which shall be in full compensation for his extra services: *And provided also*, that the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to appoint any of the officers named in this act during the recess of the Senate, to be submitted to the Senate at their next meeting, for their advice and consent.

President may appoint during the recess of the Senate.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That all letters and packages to and from the adjutant general and inspector general shall be free from postage.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the President is hereby authorized to confer brevet rank on such officers of the army as shall distinguish themselves by gallant actions or meritorious conduct, or who shall have served ten years in any one grade: *Provided*, that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to entitle officers so brevetted to any additional pay or emoluments, except when commanding separate posts, districts or detachments, when they shall be entitled to, and receive the same pay and emoluments to which officers of the same grades are now or hereafter may be allowed by law.

Brevet rank may be conferred by the President in certain cases.

No additional pay, &c., to be allowed, unless commanding separate posts, &c.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers who shall not take waiters from the line of the army, shall receive the pay, clothing and subsistence allowed to a private soldier, for as many waiters as they may actually keep, not exceeding the number allowed by existing regulations.

Officers may have private waiters.

APPROVED, July 6, 1812.

STATUTE I.

July 6, 1812.

CHAP. CXXXVIII.—*An Act supplementary to the act entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to accept and organize certain volunteer military corps."*

[Repealed.]

Act of Feb. 6, 1812, ch. 21.

Act of January 29, 1813, ch. 15, sec. 13.

Act of March 3, 1815, ch. 78.

President may appoint officers to volunteer corps.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in all cases where volunteers have offered or hereafter shall offer their services to the United States, under the act entitled "An act authorizing the President of the United States to accept and organize certain volunteer military corps," it shall be lawful for the President of the United States to appoint and commission officers thereto, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, any thing in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding: *Provided*, that prior to the issuing of such commissions, the volunteers aforesaid shall have signed an enrolment binding themselves to service, conformably to the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement.

Proviso.

Corps of volunteers to be formed into battalions, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the President be, and he is hereby authorized to form the corps of volunteers into battalions, squadrons, regiments, brigades and divisions, and to appoint thereto, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, general, field and staff officers conformably with the military establishment of the United States, and who shall be entitled to the pay and emoluments of officers of a similar grade and corps in the army of the United States.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the President of the United States, in the recess of the Senate, to appoint all the officers authorized by this act; which appointments shall be submitted to the Senate, at their next session, for their advice and consent.

President may appoint the officers in the recess of the Senate.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That in case the volunteers when their term of service shall have expired, shall deliver their stand of arms and accoutrements, in good order, to the proper officer, they shall be

Volunteers to be paid for delivering up their arms at the ex-