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continued in force until the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen: *Provided however*, that the additional duty laid by the said section, shall be collected on all such goods, wares and merchandise liable to pay the same as shall have been imported previous to that day.

APPROVED, January 31, 1812.

STATUTE I.

Feb. 6, 1812.

CHAP. XX.—*An Act to alter the times of holding the District Courts, within and for the district of Connecticut.*

Act of Sept. 24, 1789, sec. 2. Sessions of the court changed to the fourth Tuesday of February, May, August and November.

Process, &c. &c. returnable, &c. &c. accordingly.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the district court within and for the district of Connecticut, shall hereafter be holden on the fourth Tuesdays of February, May, August and November, in each year, any law to the contrary notwithstanding. And that all actions, suits, writs, process, pleadings or other proceedings, commenced or to be commenced, or which are now pending in the district court in said district, may be returned to, and shall be continued to the district court, to be holden on the fourth Tuesday of February, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, as is herein provided.

APPROVED, February 6, 1812.

STATUTE I.

Feb. 6, 1812.

CHAP. XXI.—*An Act authorizing the President of the United States to accept and organize certain Volunteer Military Corps.*

Repealed by act January 29, 1813, ch. 15, sec. 18.

President may accept of the services of volunteer corps.

*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 accept of any company or companies of volunteers, either of artillery, cavalry or infantry, who may associate and offer themselves for the service, not exceeding fifty thousand men; who shall be clothed, and in case of cavalry, furnished with horses at their own expense, and armed and equipped at the expense of the United States, after they shall be called into service; and whose commissioned officers shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by law in the several states and territories to which such companies shall respectively belong: *Provided*, that where any company, battalion, regiment, brigade or division of militia, already organized, shall tender their voluntary service to the United States, such company, battalion, regiment, brigade or division, shall continue to be commanded by the officers holding commissions in the same, at the time of such tender; and any vacancy thereafter occurring, shall be filled in the mode pointed out by law in the state or territory wherein the said company, battalion, regiment, brigade or division, shall have been originally raised.

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Services of volunteers, when and how long they may be required.

Subject to the rules and regulations of war, when in service.

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SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That any company, battalion, regiment, brigade or division, thus offering itself for the service, shall be liable to be called upon to do military duty at any time the President of the United States shall judge proper, within two years after he shall have accepted the same; and shall be bound to continue in service for the term of twelve months after they shall have arrived at the place of rendezvous, unless sooner discharged; and when so called into service, and whilst remaining therein, shall be under the same rules and regulations, and be entitled to the same pay, rations, forage, and emoluments of every kind, bounty and clothing excepted, with the regular troops of the United States: *Provided*, that in lieu of clothing, every non-commissioned officer and private in any company, who may thus offer themselves, shall be entitled, when called into service, to receive in money a sum equal to the cost of the clothing of a non-commissioned officer or private (as the case may be) in the regular troops of the United States.