

is hereby forever vested in the corporation of the said city, so as not to affect the legal or equitable claims of any individuals, or of any body politic or corporate, if any such there be.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever the claims of persons having a right of pre-emption in either of the districts east or west of Pearl river, shall interfere with each other, the register and receiver of public monies are hereby authorized in their respective districts so to regulate their locations as to prevent such interference.

APPROVED, March 31, 1808.

town lots ceded to the corporation of Natchez. Saving of private rights.

Interfering claims in districts east and west of Pearl river, how to be settled.

## STATUTE I.

April 1, 1808.

[Expired.]

Mint continued in Philadelphia for five years after 4th March, 1808. 1812, ch. 2.

CHAP. XLI.—*An Act further to prolong the continuance of the Mint at Philadelphia.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the act, intituled "An act concerning the mint," approved March the third, one thousand eight hundred and one, is hereby revived and continued in force and operation for the further term of five years after the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eight.

APPROVED, April 1, 1808.

## STATUTE I.

April 2, 1808.

[Obsolete.]

President authorized to sell to individual states public arms.

CHAP. XLII.—*An Act authorizing the sale of public Arms.*

*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 sold to individual states, which may wish to purchase, any arms now owned by the United States, and which may be parted with without injury to the public: Accounts of such sales shall be laid before Congress, and the money arising therefrom be, and the same is hereby appropriated, under the direction of the President of the United States, to the purchase or manufacture of other arms for the use of the United States: *Provided*, that such arms be not delivered to any state or their agents until the payment of the purchase money be first made into the treasury of the United States, in money or in the stock of the United States, at its value, as established by an act, intituled "An act to repeal so much of any act or acts as authorize the receipt of evidences of the public debt, in payment for the lands of the United States, and for other purposes relative to the public debt:" *Provided also*, that this provision shall not extend to any purchase, not exceeding five thousand stand of arms, which shall be made by a state to which the United States by existing engagements are bound to pay a sum of money, equal to the amount of such purchase.

APPROVED, April 2, 1808.

Payment of the purchase money to be first made into the treasury of the U. States.

1806, ch. 50.

Proviso.

## STATUTE I.

April 12, 1808.

[Obsolete.]

Additional military force to be raised.

CHAP. XLIII.—*An Act to raise for a limited time an additional military force.*(a)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That in addition to the present military establishment of the United States, there be raised five regiments of infantry, one regiment of riflemen, one regiment of light artillery, and one regiment of light dragoons, to be enlisted for the term of five years, unless sooner discharged.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said regiments of infantry, riflemen, and artillery, shall consist of ten companies each, and

Term of service. How the regiments are to be composed.

(a) See the act fixing the military peace establishment of the United States, March 3, 1815, chap. 78.

the regiment of light dragoons of eight troops; and the field and staff officers of each regiment, of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, one major, one adjutant, one quartermaster, one paymaster, one surgeon, one surgeon's mate, one sergeant major, one quartermaster sergeant, two principal musicians, and for the regiment of light dragoons, one riding master; each company of infantry and riflemen, to consist of one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, one ensign, two cadets, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, and sixty-eight privates; each company of artillery of one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, two cadets, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, eight artificers, and fifty-eight matrosses; and each troop of light dragoons, of one captain, one first and one second lieutenant, one cornet, two cadets, four sergeants, four corporals, two musicians, one saddler, one farrier, and sixty-four privates.

Two additional  
brigadier-generals to be appointed.  
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SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That when in the opinion of the President of the United States, a suitable proportion of the troops authorized by this act shall be raised, there may be appointed two additional brigadier generals, who shall be entitled to one aid-de-camp each, to be taken from the subalterns of the line; two brigade inspectors, and two brigade quartermasters; and such number of hospital surgeons, and surgeons' mates, as the service may require, but not exceeding five surgeons and fifteen mates, with one steward, and one ward-master to each hospital; the brigade inspectors appointed under this act shall be taken from the line; and the brigade quartermasters, the adjutants, regimental quartermasters, and paymasters from the subalterns of the line.

Compensations  
of officers, soldiers,  
&c.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the compensation of the officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers and privates, authorized by this act, shall be, viz., to each brigadier general, one hundred and four dollars per month, twelve rations per day, or an equivalent in money, and sixteen dollars per month for forage, when not furnished by the public: each brigade inspector, thirty dollars per month, in addition to his pay in the line; each brigade quartermaster and aid-de-camp, twenty dollars, and each adjutant regimental quartermaster and paymaster, ten dollars per month, in addition to their pay in the line; and to each six dollars per month for forage, when not furnished as aforesaid; each hospital surgeon, seventy-five dollars per month, six rations per day, or an equivalent in money, and twelve dollars per month for forage, when not furnished as aforesaid; each hospital surgeon's mate, forty dollars per month, two rations per day, or an equivalent in money, and six dollars per month for forage, when not furnished as aforesaid; each hospital steward, twenty dollars per month and two rations per day, or an equivalent in money; each wardmaster, sixteen dollars per month, and two rations per day, or an equivalent in money; to the colonel of light dragoons, ninety dollars per month, six rations per day, and forage for five horses; to the lieutenant colonel of light dragoons, seventy-five dollars per month, five rations per day, and forage for four horses; to the major of light dragoons, sixty dollars per month, four rations per day, and forage for four horses; to each captain of light dragoons, fifty dollars per month, three rations per day, and forage for three horses; to each lieutenant of light dragoons thirty-three and one third dollars per month, two rations per day, and forage for two horses; to each cornet of light dragoons, twenty-six and two thirds dollars per month, two rations per day, and forage for two horses; to the riding master, twenty-six and two thirds dollars per month, two rations per day and forage for two horses; each saddler and farrier, ten dollars per month, one ration per day, and a suit of uniform clothing annually; and all other officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers and privates, authorized by this act, shall receive the like pay, clothing, rations, forage and other emoluments as the officers, cadets, non-com-

missioned officers, musicians, artificers and privates of the present military establishment: *Provided*, the officers and riding master furnish their own horses and accoutrements, and actually keep in service the aforesaid number of horses to entitle them to the foregoing allowance for forage, or its equivalent in money: *And provided also*, that the whole or any part of the regiment of light dragoons shall be liable to serve on foot as light infantry until by order of the President of the United States, horses and accoutrements shall be provided to equip the whole or any part thereof, as mounted dragoons.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers, and privates, raised pursuant to this act, shall be entitled to the like compensation in case of disability by wounds and otherwise, incurred in the service, as the officers, cadets, non-commissioned officers, musicians, artificers and privates in the present military establishment, and with them shall be subject to the rules and articles of war which have been established or may be hereafter, by law, be established: And that the provisions of the act, intituled "An act fixing the military peace establishment of the United States," relative to the widow, child, or children of any commissioned officer who shall die, while in the service of the United States, by reason of any wound received in actual service of the United States, to courts martial, the regulation and compensation of recruiting officers, the age, size, qualifications and bounties of recruits, arrears of pay, the bonds and duties of paymasters, penalties for desertion, punishment of persons who shall procure or entice any soldier to desert, or shall purchase from any soldier his arms, uniform, clothing or any part thereof; and the punishment of any commanding officer of any ship or vessel who shall receive on board of his ship or vessel, as one of his crew, knowing him to have deserted, or otherwise carry away any such soldier, or shall refuse to deliver him up to the orders of his commanding officer, to the oath or affirmation to be taken and subscribed by officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, to the allowance for extra expense to any commissioned officer in travelling and sitting on general courts martial, to arrests of non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates for debts, to the allowance to soldiers discharged from service, except by way of punishment, shall be in force and applied to all persons, matters and things within the intent and meaning of this act, in the same manner as if they were inserted at large in the same.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the subsistence of the officers of the army, when not received in kind, shall be estimated at twenty cents per ration.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed to each brigade one chaplain, who shall be entitled to the same pay and emoluments as a major in the infantry.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That in the recess of the Senate the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint all or any of the officers, other than the general officers, proper to be appointed under this act, which appointments shall be submitted to the Senate, at the next session, for their advice and consent.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That every commissioned and staff officer to be appointed in virtue of this act shall be a citizen of the United States, or some one of the territories thereof.

APPROVED, April 12, 1808.

Officers to furnish their own horses.

The regiment of light dragoons to serve as infantry until equipped.

Same provisions extended to the present force as that already raised, as to compensation.

1802, ch. 9.

Subsistence of officers estimated at twenty cents per ration.

A chaplain to be appointed to each brigade.

His pay, &c. President may make appointments in recess of the Senate.

Commissioned and staff officers must be citizens of U. States.

STATUTE I.

April 13, 1808.

[Obsolete.]  
President's message, &c.

CHAP. XLIV.—*An Act to authorize the transportation of certain documents by mail, free of postage.*

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the members of Congress,