

lieutenants, acting paymasters, acting assistant surgeons, acting masters and masters' mates, are hereby ratified and confirmed as temporary acting appointments, until the return of the vessels in which they are respectively employed, or until the suppression of the present insurrection, as may be deemed necessary; and the rate of compensation allowed for the several grades specified is hereby legalized and approved.

Secretary of  
Navy confirmed,  
&c.  
Post, pp. 587, 818.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That for the purpose of carrying into effect the foregoing act, and to suppress piracy, and render more effective the closing of the ports of the insurgents, there be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Navy Department the sum of three millions of dollars.

Appropriation.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

CHAP. XIV. — *An Act for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Officers, Seamen, and Marines of the United States Sloop-of-war Levant, and for other Purposes.*

July 24, 1861.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That, for the purpose of fixing the time at which shall commence the pensions under the existing laws, of the widows and orphan children of the officers, seamen, marines, and others in service, who were lost in the United States sloop-of-war Levant, as well as the time to which the pay of said officers, seamen, marines, and others in the service, shall be allowed, the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, shall be deemed and taken to be the day on which the said sloop-of-war Levant foundered at sea.

The Levant to  
be deemed as lost  
June 30, 1861, for  
certain purposes.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the widow, or child, or children, and in case there shall be no widow, or child, or children, (as aforesaid,) then the parent or parents, and if there be no parents, the brothers and sisters of the officers, seamen, marines, and others in service, who were lost in said sloop-of-war Levant, including captain's clerk and assistant draughtsman, shall be entitled to and receive, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to twelve months' pay of their respective deceased relations aforesaid, in addition to the pay due to the said deceased at the date of the loss of said vessel.

Additional pay  
to widows and  
children, &c. of  
those lost.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be, and are hereby, authorized and directed to settle the accounts of Andrew J. Watson, late purser in the navy, who was lost in the sloop-of-war Levant, with all his accounts and vouchers for expenditures and payments made by him, and with all the money, stores, and supplies procured for the use of said vessel and to allow him a credit for whatever sum appears to be due from him on the books of the Department.

Accounts of Andrew J. Watson  
to be settled.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

CHAP. XV. — *An Act for the Relief of certain Musicians and Soldiers stationed at Fort Sumter, in South Carolina.*

July 24, 1861.

*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 hereby is, directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of eleven hundred and fifty dollars to remunerate soldiers and members of the band stationed at Fort Sumter, in South Carolina, for losses of private property incurred in the removal from Fort Moultrie to Fort Sumter, on the evening of December twenty-six, eighteen hundred and sixty; said sum to be distributed as follows, namely: To the band, four hundred dollars; to company E, first artillery, five hundred dollars; to company H, first artillery, two hundred and fifty dollars; and to be divided among the members of said band and

Certain musicians and soldiers  
at Fort Sumter to  
be paid for losses  
of private property.

said companies suffering losses, or the heirs of such persons as aforesaid, according to the award of the commanding officers of the several commands.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

July 24, 1861.

CHAP. XVI.—*An Act for the Relief of the Ohio and other Volunteers.*

Preamble.  
1795, ch. 36, § 2.  
Vol. i. p. 424.

1861, ch. 63.  
Post, p. 326.

Volunteers to be paid from the date of their organization and acceptance as companies by the governor of the State.

Whereas the War Department has decided that the term of service of the ninety days' volunteers, called out under the act of seventeen hundred and ninety-five, commenced only on the day when they were actually sworn into the service of the United States; and whereas, the troops now in service of the United States from the State of Ohio were not sworn into said service until some days after their organization and acceptance as companies by the Governor of said State, and that for such period, under existing laws, no payment can be made: Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the proper disbursing officer compute and pay to the said volunteers compensation from the day of their organization and acceptance as companies by the Governor of the State of Ohio, as aforesaid, until the expiration of their term of service.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That where the militia of other States are situated similarly with those of Ohio, the War Department pay them according to the provisions of the foregoing section.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

July 25, 1861.

1861, ch. 9, ante,  
p. 268.

Volunteers may be accepted in such numbers as the public exigencies demand.

Proviso.

How to be mustered into service, armed, &c.

Appointment of major-generals and brigadier-generals.

CHAP. XVII.—*An Act in addition to the "Act to authorize the Employment of Volunteers to aid in enforcing the Laws and protecting Public Property," approved July twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.*

*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 the services of volunteers, either as cavalry, infantry, or artillery, in such numbers as the exigencies of the public service may in his opinion demand, to be organized as authorized by the act of the twenty-second of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one: *Provided,* That the number of troops hereby authorized shall not exceed five hundred thousand.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the volunteers authorized by this act shall be armed as the President may direct; they shall be subject to the rules and articles of war, and shall be upon the footing, in all respects, with similar corps of the United States army, and shall be mustered into the service for "during the war."

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the President shall be authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for the command of the volunteer forces, such number of major-generals, and of brigadier-generals, as may, in his judgment, be required for their organization.

APPROVED, July 25, 1861.

July 25, 1861.

CHAP. XVIII.—*An Act to refund Duties on Arms imported by States.*

Duties paid on arms imported by States to be refunded.

1861, ch. 1,  
ante, p. 255.

*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 is hereby authorized to refund, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the duties paid on arms imported by States, under the conditions and subject to the limitation of the act approved the tenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, entitled "An act to refund and remit the duties on arms imported by States."

APPROVED, July 25, 1861.