amount to be allowed shall not exceed that to be paid to volunteer bands regularly mustered into the service under the President's proclamation of May third, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the President, in accepting and organizing volunteers under the act entitled "An Act to authorize the employment of volunteers to aid in enforcing the laws and protecting public property," approved July twenty-two, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, may accept the service of such volunteers without previous proclamation, and in such numbers from any State or States as, in his discretion, the public service may require.

Approved, July 31, 1861.

CHAP. XXXV. — An Act to increase the Consular Representation of the United States during the present Insurrection.

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 may, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint consuls at any foreign ports where he shall deem it advisable, for the purpose of preventing piracy, with such compensation, not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per annum, as he shall think proper; to hold their offices, respectively, during the pleasure of the President, and in every case such compensation to cease with the restoration of internal peace within the United States. And the President may, during the present insurrection, increase the compensation of any consuls in foreign ports, if he shall deem it necessary, so as not, however, to exceed the sum of fifteen hundred dollars in any case. But this power shall cease with the re-establishment of internal peace as aforesaid.

Approved, August 2, 1861.

CHAP. XXXVI. — An Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act supplementary to the Act entitled 'An Act providing for a Naval Peace Establishment and for other Purposes,' passed March twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and four."

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the above entitled act be, and the same is hereby, amended by inserting after the word "captain," so that the President shall be authorized to select the superintendents of the several navy yards and heads of bureaus from the captains or commanders of the navy of the United States.

Approved, August 2, 1861.

CHAP. XXXVII. — An Act concerning the Attorney-General and the Attorneys and Marshals of the several Districts.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Attorney-General of the United States be, and he is hereby, charged with the general superintendence and direction of the attorneys and marshals of all the districts in the United States and the Territories as to the manner of discharging their respective duties; and the said district-attorneys and marshals are hereby required to report to the Attorney-General an account of their official proceedings, and the state and condition of their respective offices, in such time and manner as the Attorney-General may direct.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the Attorney-General be, and he is hereby, empowered, whenever in his opinion the public interest may require it, to employ and retain (in the name of the United States) such attorneys and counsellors-at-law as he may think necessary to assist the district-attorneys in the discharge of their duties, and shall stipulate with such assistant counsel the amount of compensation.