permanently absent therefrom, shall be registered as a deserter, and punished as such.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That flogging as a punishment in the army is hereby abolished.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That for removing stables and other obstructions from the grounds around the Washington Infirmary, used as an army hospital, and grading said grounds to secure proper drainage of the same, the sum of five thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, to be expended under the direction of the surgeon-general of the United States army.

APPROVED, August 5, 1861.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be paid to the attorney of the United States for the southern district of New York, quarterly, a salary at the rate of six thousand dollars per annum, and such additional sum as shall be necessary, together with the costs and fees now allowed by law to pay such amount as shall be fixed by the Secretary of the Interior for the proper expenses of the office, including salaries of assistants and clerks.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the accounts of said attorney, from and after the fourth day of April last, shall be adjusted and settled in the same manner as the same would have been adjusted and settled had this act been in operation on and after that day.

APPROVED, August 6, 1861.

CHAP. LVI. — An Act to punish certain Crimes against the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That if any person shall be guilty of the act of recruiting soldiers or sailors in any State or Territory of the United States to engage in armed hostility against the United States, or who shall open a recruiting station for the enlistment of such persons, either as regulars or volunteers, to serve as aforesaid, shall be guilty of a high misdemeanor, and upon conviction in any court of record having jurisdiction of the offence, shall be fined a sum not less than two hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, and confined and imprisoned for a period not less than one year nor more than five years.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the person so enlisted, or engaged as regular or volunteer, shall be fined in a like manner a sum of one hundred dollars, and imprisoned not less than one nor more than three years.

APPROVED, August 6, 1861.

CHAP. LVII. — An Act to promote the Efficiency of the Engineer and Topographical Engineer Corps, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be added to each of the corps of engineers, and topographical engineers, by regular promotion of their present officers, two lieutenant-colonels and four majors.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be added to the corps of topographical engineers one company of soldiers, to be commanded by appropriate officers of said corps, to have the same pay and rations, clothing, and other allowances, and to be entitled to the same benefits in every respect as the company created by the act for the organ-