permanently absent therefrom, shall be registered as a deserter, and pun-ished 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.

Chap. LV. — An Act in Relation to the Office of Attorney of the United States for the
Southern District of New York.

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 en-
gaged 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 regu-
lar 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 com-
manded 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-