by the superintendent of police and by the sergeants of police, and for the taking by members of the police force of an oath of office, and the registry of the same, which oath of office may be taken before any commissioner of police, who is hereby empowered to administer the same.

SEC. 28. *And be it further enacted,* That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of carrying this act into effect, including the payment of salaries and all other necessary charges and expenses of the "Metropolitan Police," for the year ending June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, in addition to the balance of the appropriation made by the act approved February twenty, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, for the compensation of the auxiliary guard, and one lieutenant, and for fuel, oil, and lamps, and for twenty policemen," which balance is hereby directed to be applied to the purposes of this act, the sum of sixty thousand dollars.

SEC. 29. *And be it further enacted,* That all statutes, parts of statutes, and provisions of law inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, August 6, 1861.

CHAP. LXII. — An Act to increase the Pay of the Privates in the Regular Army and in the Volunteers in the Service of the United States, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the pay of the privates in the regular army and volunteers in the service of the United States be thirteen dollars per month for three years from and after the passage of this act and until otherwise fixed by law.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the provisions of the act entitled "An Act for the Relief of the Ohio and other Volunteers," approved July twenty-fourth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, be and the same are hereby extended to all volunteers mustered into the service of the United States, whether for one, two, or three years, or for and during the war.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That all the acts, proclamations, and orders of the President of the United States after the fourth of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, respecting the army and navy of the United States, and calling out or relating to the militia or volunteers from the States, are hereby approved and in all respects legalized and made valid, to the same intent and with the same effect as if they had been issued and done under the previous express authority and direction of the Congress of the United States.

APPROVED, August 6, 1861.

CHAP. LXIV. — An Act requiring an Oath of Allegiance, and to Support the Constitution of the United States, to be administered to certain Persons in the civil Service of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That it shall be the duty of the heads of the several departments to cause to be administered to each and every officer, clerk, or employé, now in their respective departments, or in any way connected therewith, or who shall hereafter in any way become connected therewith, the following oath, viz.: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith, allegiance, and loyalty to the same, any ordinance, resolution, or law of any State Convention or Legislature to the contrary notwithstanding; and, further, that I do this with a full determination, pledge, and purpose, without any mental reservation or evasion whatsoever; and, further, that