may present themselves for examination, &c.

When may be promoted.

Any officer may be advanced for conduct in battle, &c.

Fleet paymasters and engineers.

Retired pay of surgeons, paymasters, &c.

Repealing clause.

establish and equalize the grades of line officers of the United States navy," approved July sixteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall have the right to present themselves for examination, according to the provisions of this act, and if found duly qualified, and such finding be approved by the President of the United States, they shall be promoted to the same grade and place as, if they had been recommended by the board, and shall receive the corresponding pay according to the service which they have performed from the date of their rank to that of their promotion. And no further promotions shall be made upon the active list until the number in each grade is reduced to that provided by law.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That any officer in the naval service, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, may be advanced, not exceeding thirty numbers, in his own grade, for distinguished conduct in battle, or extraordinary heroism.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That the President of the United States shall appoint paymasters of the fleet and engineers of the fleet in the same manner and with the same rank and pay as fleet surgeons; and the retired pay of surgeons, paymasters, engineers, and other staff officers in the navy shall be the same as that of the retired officers of the line of the navy with whom they have relative rank.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That all acts or parts of acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, April 21, 1864.

April 21, 1864. CHAP. LXIV.—An Act to amend an Act for enrolling and calling out the National Forces so as to increase the Rank, Pay, and Emoluments of the Provost-Marshal General.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the rank, pay, and emoluments of the provost-marshal general, authorized by section five of said act, shall be those of a brigadier-general.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED, April 21, 1864.

April 21, 1864. CHAP. LXV.—An Act to change the Name of the District and Port of Presque Isle to the District and Port of Erie.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the district of Presque Isle, in the state of Pennsylvania, shall hereafter be known as the district of Erie, and the port of Presque Isle shall hereafter be known as the port of Erie.

APPROVED, April 21, 1864.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, from and after the passage of this act, the standard weight of the cent coined at the mint of the United States shall be forty-eight grains, or one tenth of one ounce troy; and said cent shall be composed of ninety-five per centum of copper, and five per centum of tin and zinc, in such proportions as shall be determined by the director of the mint; and there shall be from time to time struck and coined at the mint a two-cent piece, of the same composition, the standard weight of which shall be ninety-six grains, or one fifth of one ounce troy, with no greater deviation than four grains to each piece of said cent and two-cent coins; and the shape, mottoes, and devices of said