inbefore appropriated for the pay of the army, the sum of thirty-six millions of dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

APPROVED, March 8, 1865.


Banking associations after transfer, &c., of bonds, may receive circulating notes.

Limit of amount of notes to be received.

Apportionment of authorized circulation.

March 3, 1865.

Persons charged with crime in the District of Columbia not to be offered as volunteers or substitutes.

Punishment of principals and accessories.

Chap. LXXXIII.—An Act to prevent the Enlistment of Persons charged with Crime in the District of Columbia, as Substitute [s] or as Volunteers in the Army or Navy, and to prevent Frauds at the District Jail, in the City of Washington.

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, it shall be unlawful for any person, with knowledge of the fact, to present or offer to any recruiting agent or officer, or any muster-in officer in the United States military or naval service, either as a volunteer or as a substitute for any person, any person charged with the commission of any criminal offence, and confined or held on bail for the trial of such offence, within the District of Columbia; and it shall in like manner be unlawful for any person, in any way or manner, to abet, aid, or assist in procuring the offer or acceptance of any person so charged or held for trial, or released on bail and awaiting trial, either as a volunteer or as a substitute for any person drafted or liable to draft in the military or naval service of the United States, whether the person so drafted or liable to draft shall be a resident of the District of Columbia, or shall reside elsewhere. And any person who shall knowingly offend against the provisions of this section, or either of such provisions, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction thereof, before a court of
competent jurisdiction in said district, be punished by a fine of not less
than two hundred and fifty dollars, and not more than one thousand dol-

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That any officer of the district jail
of the District of Columbia, or any guard thereof, or any attaché or em-
ployee connected with said jail, who shall demand or directly or indirectly
receive, any compensation, fee, reward, or gratuity for any information
given in respect to any prisoner confined therein, or awaiting trial upon
bail, or for any service, assistance, or influence rendered, given, or exerted,
with any view, intent, or purpose of having such person thus charged or
held for trial, or held in bail to await trial, taken, offered, or used
either as a volunteer or as a substitute for any other in the military or na-
val service, or who shall corruptly receive, for any act done by virtue of
his office or employment, any fee, compensation, reward, or gratuity, shall
be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor [and] shall on conviction thereof in any district court of competent jurisdiction, be punished by a fine of not less than two hundred and fifty dollars, and not more than one thousand dollars, and by imprisonment in the district prison for a term not less than three months nor more than one year.

Approved, March 3, 1865.

CHAP. LXXXIV. — An Act supplementary to the several Acts relating to Pensions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled, That no invalid pensioner now
or hereafter in the service of the United States shall be entitled to draw
a pension for any period of time during which he is or shall be entitled to
the full pay or salary which an able-bodied person discharging like duties
to the government is allowed by law.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That acting assistant or contract sur-
geons disabled by any wound received or disease contracted while actually
performing the duties of assistant surgeons or acting assistant surgeons,
with any military forces in the field or in transitu, shall be entitled to the
benefits of the pension laws in the same manner as if they had actually
been mustered into the service with the rank of "assistant surgeon," and
the widows, minor children, or the dependents of acting assistant surgeons
dying while performing the duty aforesaid, shall in like manner be entitled
to the same benefits of the pension laws as if the deceased had been
actually mustered into the service as assistant surgeons.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That all persons now by law entitled
to a less pension than hereafter specified who shall have lost one foot and
one hand in the military service of the United States, and in the line of
his [their] duty, shall be entitled to twenty dollars per month.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That if any officer or other person
named in the first section of an act entitled “An act to grant pensions,”
approved July fourteen, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, has died since
the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, or shall here-
after die by reason of any wound received or disease contracted while in
the service of the United States, and in the line of duty, his widow, or
if there be no widow, or in case of her death or marriage, without pay-
ment to her of any part of the pension hereinafter mentioned, his child or
children, under sixteen years of age, shall be entitled to receive the same
pension as the husband or father would have been entitled to under said
act, had he been totally disabled, to commence from the death of the hus-
band or father, and to continue to the widow during her widowhood, or to
the child or children until they severally attain to the age of sixteen years,
and no longer: Provided, That when such pension has been, or shall
hereafter be, paid to the widow, such child or children shall only be en-