said companies suffering losses, or the heirs of such persons as aforesaid, according to the award of the commanding officers of the several commands.

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CHAP. XVI. — *An Act for the Relief of the Ohio and other Volunteers.*

Preamble.

1795, ch. 36, § 2. Vol. i. p. 424.

1861, ch. 63. *Post*, p. 326.

Whereas the War Department has decided that the term of service of the ninety days' volunteers, called out under the act of seventeen hundred and ninety-five, commenced only on the day when they were actually sworn into the service of the United States; and whereas the troops now in service of the United States from the State of Ohio were not sworn into said service until some days after their organization and acceptance as companies by the Governor of said State, and that for such period, under existing laws, no payment can be made: Therefore,

Volunteers to be paid from the date of their organization and acceptance as companies by the governor of the State.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper disbursing officer compute and pay to the said volunteers compensation from the day of their organization and acceptance as companies by the Governor of the State of Ohio, as aforesaid, until the expiration of their term of service.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That where the militia of other States are situated similarly with those of Ohio, the War Department pay them according to the provisions of the foregoing section.

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CHAP. XVII. — *An Act in addition to the "Act to authorize the Employment of Volunteers to aid in enforcing the Laws and protecting Public Property," approved July twenty-second, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.*

1861, ch. 9, *ante*, p. 268.

Volunteers may be accepted in such numbers as the public exigencies demand.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to accept the services of volunteers, either as cavalry, infantry, or artillery, in such numbers as the exigencies of the public service may in his opinion demand, to be organized as authorized by the act of the twenty-second of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one: *Provided*, That the number of troops hereby authorized shall not exceed five hundred thousand.

Proviso.

How to be mustered into service, armed, &c

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the volunteers authorized by this act shall be armed as the President may direct; they shall be subject to the rules and articles of war, and shall be upon the footing, in all respects, with similar corps of the United States army, and shall be mustered into the service for "during the war."

Appointment of major-generals and brigadier-generals.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the President shall be authorized to appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for the command of the volunteer forces, such number of major-generals, and of brigadier-generals, as may, in his judgment, be required for their organization.

APPROVED, July 25, 1861.

July 25, 1861.

CHAP. XVIII. — *An Act to refund Duties on Arms imported by States.*

Duties paid on arms imported by States to be refunded.

1861, ch. 1, *ante*, p. 255.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and is hereby authorized to refund, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the duties paid on arms imported by States, under the conditions and subject to the limitation of the act approved the tenth day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, entitled "An act to refund and remit the duties on arms imported by States."

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