Promotions.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That promotions shall be made in place of the officers retired under the provisions of this bill as is now provided by law.

"Medals of honor" to be prepared.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and is hereby, authorized to cause two hundred "medals of honor" to be prepared, with suitable emblematic devices, which shall be bestowed upon such petty officers, seamen, landsmen, and marines as shall most distinguish themselves by their gallantry in action and other seamanlike qualities during the present war, and that the sum of one thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, for the purpose of carrying this section into effect.

Appropriation.

Hours of labor in navy yards.

Rate of wages.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the hours of labor in the navy yards of the United States shall be the same as in the private ship yards at or nearest to the post where such navy yard is established, and the wages to be paid to all employés in such yards shall be, as near as may be, the average price paid to employés of the same grade in private ship yards or workshops in or nearest to the same vicinity, to be determined by the commandant of the navy yard.

Post, p. 587.

APPROVED, December 21, 1861.

Dec. 24, 1861.

Post, p. 611.

CHAP. II. — *An Act to increase the Duties on Tea, Coffee, and Sugar.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the date of the passage of this act, in lieu of the duties heretofore imposed by law on articles hereinafter mentioned, there shall be levied, collected, and paid on the goods, wares, and merchandise herein enumerated and provided for, imported from foreign countries, the following duties and rates of duty, that is to say: First. On all teas, twenty cents per pound.

Duties on

Teas.

Coffee.

Sugar.

Second. On coffee of all kinds, five cents per pound. Third. On raw sugar, commonly called Muscovado or brown sugar, and on sugars not advanced above number twelve, Dutch standard, by claying, boiling, clarifying, or other process, and on sirup of sugar or of sugar cane, and concentrated molasses or concentrated melado, two cents and a half per pound, and on white and clayed sugar, when advanced beyond the raw state, above number twelve, Dutch standard, by clarifying or other process, and not yet refined, three cents per pound; on refined sugars, whether loaf, lump, crushed, or pulverized, five cents per pound; on sugars after being refined, when they are tinctured, colored, or in any way adulterated, and on sugar candy, eight cents per pound; on molasses, six cents per gallon: *Provided*, That all sirups of sugar or of sugar cane, concentrated molasses or concentrated melado, entered under the name of molasses, or any other name than sirup of sugar or of sugar cane, concentrated molasses or concentrated melado, shall be liable to forfeiture to the United States, and the same shall be forfeited.

Ante, pp. 179, 194.

Proviso.

APPROVED, December 24, [1861.]

Dec. 24, 1861.

CHAP. III. — *An Act relative to Courts-Martial in the Army.*

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in time of war the commander of a division or separate brigade may appoint general courts-martial, and confirm, execute, pardon, and mitigate their sentences, as allowed and restrained in the sixty-fifth and eighty-ninth articles of war to commanders of armies and departments: *Provided*, That sentences of such courts extending to loss of life or dismission of a commissioned officer shall require the confirmation of the general commanding the army in the field to which the division or brigade belongs: *And provided further*

General courts-martial, who may appoint, &c.

Sentences

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