July 24, 1861.

CHAP. XV. — *An Act for the Relief of certain Musicians and Soldiers stationed at Fort Sumter, in South Carolina.*

Certain musicians and soldiers at Fort Sumter to be paid for losses of private property.

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 he hereby, is directed to pay, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of eleven hundred and fifty dollars, to remunerate soldiers and members of the band stationed at Fort Sumter, in South Carolina, for losses of private property incurred in the removal from Fort Moultrie to Fort Sumter on the evening of December twenty-six, eighteen hundred and sixty; said sum to be distributed as follows, namely: To the band, four hundred dollars; to company E, first artillery, five hundred dollars; to company H, first artillery, two hundred and fifty dollars; and to be divided among the members of said band and said companies suffering losses, or the heirs of such persons as aforesaid, according to the award of the commanding officers of the several commands.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

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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.

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.

APPROVED, July 24, 1861.

July 29, 1861.

CHAP. XXVI. — *An Act to authorize the Issue of a Register to the Steamer "Estella."*

Register to issue to the steamer "Estella."

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 he is hereby, authorized to issue a register to the steamer "Estella," in accordance with existing laws, excepting only that provision of law requiring the said vessel to have been built in the United States.

APPROVED, July 29, 1861.

August 3, 1861.

CHAP. XLIII. — *An Act for the Relief of John C. McConnell.*

Accounts of John C. McConnell to be settled.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he hereby is, directed to audit and settle, upon terms of equity and justice, the accounts of John C. McConnell against the United States, for expenses necessarily incurred by him in raising a regiment of volunteers in the State of Maryland, in May, June, and July, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and now in the United States' service: *Provided*, That the

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