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the maintenance of a safe channel through the draw spaces as they are arranged, pending the construction of the permanent bridge, shall be at once built and maintained until they shall be no longer necessary."

Approved, April 21, 1898.

CHAP. 186.—An Act To make Knoxville, Tennessee, a port of delivery, and to create the office of surveyor of customs. April 21, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Knoxville, in the State of Tennessee, be, and is hereby, constituted a port of delivery in the customs collection district of New Orleans, and the privileges of the seventh section of the Act approved June tenth, eighteen hundred and eighty, governing the immediate transportation of dutiable merchandise without appraisement be, and the same are hereby, extended to said port; and there shall be appointed one surveyor of customs to reside at said port, who shall receive a salary of three hundred and fifty dollars per annum, with the usual fees and commissions.

Knoxville, Tenn., made a port of delivery.

Immediate transportation privilege. Vol. 21, p. 174.

Appointment of surveyor of customs.

Approved, April 21, 1898.

CHAP. 187.—An Act To provide for temporarily increasing the military establishment of the United States in time of war, and for other purposes. April 22, 1898.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all able-bodied male citizens of the United States, and persons of foreign birth who shall have declared their intention to become citizens of the United States under and in pursuance of the laws thereof, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, are hereby declared to constitute the national forces, and, with such exceptions and under such conditions as may be prescribed by law, shall be liable to perform military duty in the service of the United States.

Army in time of war. National forces. *Post*, pp. 405, 420, 698, 699.

SEC. 2. That the organized and active land forces of the United States shall consist of the Army of the United States and of the militia of the several States when called into the service of the United States: *Provided*, That in time of war the Army shall consist of two branches which shall be designated, respectively, as the Regular Army and the Volunteer Army of the United States.

Active land forces, composition of.

Proviso. Branches of Army in time of war.

SEC. 3. That the Regular Army is the permanent military establishment, which is maintained both in peace and war according to law.

Regular Army, permanent maintenance of.

SEC. 4. That the Volunteer Army shall be maintained only during the existence of war, or while war is imminent, and shall be raised and organized, as in this Act provided, only after Congress has or shall have authorized the President to raise such a force or to call into the actual service of the United States the militia of the several States: *Provided*, That all enlistments for the Volunteer Army shall be for a term of two years, unless sooner terminated, and that all officers and men composing said army shall be discharged from the service of the United States when the purposes for which they were called into service shall have been accomplished, or on the conclusion of hostilities.

Volunteer Army, maintenance only during war, etc. *Post*, p. 981.

Proviso. —term of enlistments, etc.

SEC. 5. That when it becomes necessary to raise a volunteer army the President shall issue his proclamation stating the number of men desired, within such limits as may be fixed by law, and the Secretary of War shall prescribe such rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the terms of this Act, as may in his judgment be necessary for the purpose of examining, organizing, and receiving into service the men called for: *Provided*, That all men received into service in the Volunteer Army shall, as far as practicable, be taken from the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia and the Indian

Organization of Volunteer Army.

Proviso. —apportionment of recruits.