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sive than to wire the building and furnish lamps therefor; the expense thereof to be paid from the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the construction of said building.

Approved, May 18, 1898.

May 24, 1898.

[No. 37.] Joint Resolution Appointing four members of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

National Home Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.
William J. Sewell, Martin T. McMahon, John L. Mitchell, and William H. Bonsall appointed on Board of Managers.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That William J. Sewell, of New Jersey; Martin T. McMahon, of New York; John L. Mitchell, of Wisconsin, and William H. Bonsall, of California, be, and they hereby are, appointed members of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers of the United States for the term of six years commencing April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and until their successors are elected; the said William J. Sewell to succeed himself, his present term expiring April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; Martin T. McMahon to succeed himself, his present term expiring April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight; John L. Mitchell to succeed himself, his present term expiring April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and William H. Bonsall to succeed A. W. Barrett, whose term of office will expire April twenty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

Approved, May 24, 1898.

May 26, 1898.

[No. 38.] Joint Resolution Providing for the organization and enrollment of the United States Auxiliary Naval Force.

Navy.
Organization of temporary auxiliary naval force.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That a United States Auxiliary Naval Force is hereby authorized to be established, to be enrolled in such numbers as the President may deem necessary, not exceeding three thousand enlisted men, for the exigencies of the present war with Spain, and to serve for a period of one year, or less, and shall be disbanded by the President at the conclusion of the war.

Chief.

SEC. 2. That the chief of the United States Auxiliary Naval Force shall be detailed by the Secretary of the Navy from the active or retired list of the line officers of the Navy not below the grade of captain, who shall receive the highest pay of his grade while so employed.

Enlistment.

SEC. 3. That enlistment into the United States Auxiliary Naval Force shall be made by such officer or officers as the Navy Department may detail for the purpose, who shall also select from merchant vessels and other available sources such volunteers as may be deemed best fitted for service as officers in said force, and shall report to the Secretary of the Navy, for his action, their names and the grade for which each is recommended.

Officers.

Division of coast line into districts.

SEC. 4. That for the purposes of this organization the coast line shall be divided into districts, each of which shall be in charge of an assistant to the chief of the United States Auxiliary Naval Force; and such assistant chiefs may be detailed by the Secretary of the Navy from the officers of the active or retired list of the line of the Navy, or appointed by him from civil life, not above the rank of lieutenant-commander.

Pay.

SEC. 5. That the officers and men comprising the United States Auxiliary Naval Force shall receive the same pay and emoluments as those holding similar rank or rate in the Regular Navy; and all matters relating to the organization, discipline, and government of men in said force shall conform to the laws and regulations governing the United States Navy.

Conformance to Navy regulations, etc.