

be entitled to receive for each such non-commissioned officer and private, and for each sufficient musician, duly enlisted and mustered, the sum of two dollars.

Allowance to recruiting officers.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the monthly pay of the non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates in the army of the United States, from and after the first day of August next, shall be as follows: cadets, ten dollars, and two rations per day; sergeant-majors, and quartermaster-sergeants, ten dollars; senior musicians, eight dollars; sergeants, eight dollars; corporals, seven dollars; musicians, six dollars; privates, five dollars; artificers to the infantry and artillery, and farriers and saddlers to the dragoons, shall be allowed each the monthly pay of ten dollars. That every non-commissioned officer, private and musician shall receive daily the following rations of provisions, to wit: one pound and a quarter of beef, or three quarters of a pound of pork, eighteen ounces of bread or flour, a gill of rum, brandy or whiskey, and at the rate of two quarts of salt, four quarts of vinegar, four pounds of soap, and one pound and a half of candles to every hundred rations.

Pay of men.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is authorized to appoint a number, not exceeding four, teachers of the arts and sciences necessary for the instruction of the artillerists and engineers, who shall be entitled to the monthly pay of fifty dollars, and two rations per day.

Their subsistence.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates raised by virtue of this act, shall take and subscribe the oath or affirmation prescribed by the law, intituled "An act to ascertain and fix the military establishment of the United States," and they shall be governed by the rules and articles of war, which have been or may be established by law, and shall be entitled to the legal emoluments in case of wounds or disabilities received while in actual service, and in the line of duty. And in recess of Senate, the President of the United States is hereby authorized to appoint all the regimental officers proper to be appointed under this act, and likewise to make appointments to fill any vacancies in the army, which may have happened during the present session of the Senate.

The President may appoint four teachers of the arts and sciences necessary for artillerists and engineers.

Troops to take an oath; and how they shall be governed.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be appointed an inspector of the artillery, taken from the line of artillerists and engineers, who shall be allowed thirty dollars per month in addition to his pay in the line, and four rations of provisions for his daily subsistence, and whenever forage shall not be furnished by the public he shall be allowed ten dollars per month instead thereof.

The President may make appointments in the recess.

Inspector of artillery to be appointed.

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STATUTE II.

July 16, 1798.

CHAP. LXXVII.—*An Act for the relief of sick and disabled Seamen.*(a)

SECTION I. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the first day of September next, the master or owner of every ship or vessel of the United States, arriving from a foreign port into any port of the United States, shall, before such ship or vessel shall be admitted to an entry, render to the collector a true account of the number of seamen, that shall have been employed on board such vessel since she was last entered at any port in the United States,—and shall pay to the said collector, at the rate of twenty cents per month for every

Twenty cents per month to be deducted from the wages of seamen, coming from a foreign voyage in a vessel of the United States.

(a) The acts passed by Congress, for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, have been: An act for the relief of sick and disabled seamen, July 16, 1798, chap. 77; an act in addition to an act for the relief and protection of American seamen, March 2, 1799, chap. 36; an act for the relief and protection of American seamen, May 28, 1796, chap. 36; an act supplementary to the "act concerning consuls and vice consuls," and for the further protection of American seamen, February 28, 1803, chap. 9.

seaman so employed; which sum he is hereby authorized to retain out of the wages of such seamen.

The same with respect to the coasting trade.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That from and after the first day of September next, no collector shall grant to any ship or vessel whose enrolment or license for carrying on the coasting trade has expired, a new enrolment or license before the master of such ship or vessel shall first render a true account to the collector, of the number of seamen, and the time they have severally been employed on board such ship or vessel, during the continuance of the license which has so expired, and pay to such collector twenty cents per month for every month such seamen have been severally employed, as aforesaid; which sum the said master is hereby authorized to retain out of the wages of such seamen. And if any such master shall render a false account of the number of men, and the length of time they have severally been employed, as is herein required, he shall forfeit and pay one hundred dollars.

Penalty on the master rendering a false account of the same.

Collectors to make returns of the sums received; which shall be expended in relieving sick and disabled seamen.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the several collectors to make a quarterly return of the sums collected by them, respectively, by virtue of this act, to the Secretary of the Treasury; and the President of the United States is hereby authorized, out of the same, to provide for the temporary relief and maintenance of sick or disabled seamen, in the hospitals or other proper institutions now established in the several ports of the United States, or, in ports where no such institutions exist, then in such other manner as he shall direct: *Provided,* that the monies collected in any one district, shall be expended within the same.

Monies unexpended, and donations to be invested in stock.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That if any surplus shall remain of the monies to be collected by virtue of this act, after defraying the expense of such temporary relief and support, that the same, together with such private donations as may be made for that purpose (which the President is hereby authorized to receive) shall be invested in the stock of the United States, under the direction of the President; and when, in his opinion, a sufficient fund shall be accumulated, he is hereby authorized to purchase or receive cessions or donations of ground or buildings, in the name of the United States, and to cause buildings, when necessary, to be erected as hospitals for the accommodation of sick and disabled seamen.

Provision for building marine hospitals.

Directors of the marine hospitals to be appointed.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized to nominate and appoint, in such ports of the United States, as he may think proper, one or more persons, to be called directors of the marine hospital of the United States, whose duty it shall be to direct the expenditure of the fund assigned for their respective ports, according to the third section of this act; to provide for the accommodation of sick and disabled seamen, under such general instructions as shall be given by the President of the United States, for that purpose, and also subject to the like general instructions, to direct and govern such hospitals as the President may direct to be built in the respective ports: and that the said directors shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the President, who is authorized to fill up all vacancies that may be occasioned by the death or removal of any of the persons so to be appointed. And the said directors shall render an account of the monies received and expended by them, once in every quarter of a year, to the Secretary of the Treasury, or such other person as the President shall direct; but no other allowance or compensation shall be made to the said directors, except the payment of such expenses as they may incur in the actual discharge of the duties required by this act.

Their duties.

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