

Chap. 185

An Act to appropriate a certain sum of money to Charles Weed.

The People of the State of Wisconsin represented in Senate and Assembly do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to Charles Weed the sum of twenty-four dollars, in full pay and compensation for furnishing two Blank Books, of eight quires each, for the Journals of the present session of the Legislature, to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

FREDERICK W. HORN,

Speaker of the Assembly.

SAMUEL W. BEALL,

Lt. Governor and President of the Senate.

Approved, March 11th, 1851.

NELSON DEWEY.

Chap. 186.

An Act to appropriate to Grant County the sum of money therein named

The People of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to be paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to the county of Grant, the sum of one hundred and thirty-five dollars and thirty-three cents, the same being in full of the amounts overpaid by said county into the State Treasury for the years one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, and eighteen hundred and fifty, in consequence of double assessments for three years.

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Chap. 187

An Act relating to the Militia.

The People of the State of Wisconsin represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. The Commander-in-chief of the Militia of this State shall appoint the General Staff, and for the purpose of enumeration and enrollment of the militia, the State of Wisconsin shall be divided and organized into military divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions and companies, as follows, to wit: First division—The counties of Milwaukee, Waukesha, Racine, Kenosha, Walworth and Jefferson. Second division—

Governor to appoint General Staff

Military Divisions.

The counties of Dane, Rock, Greene, Iowa, Lafayette and Grant, Third division—The counties of Dodge, Columbia, Marquette, Waushara, Fon du Lac, Sheboygan and Washington. Fourth division—The counties of Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Brown, Utagamie, Waupacca and Door. Fifth Division—The counties of Crawford, Richland, Sauk, Adams, Portage, Marathon, Chippeway, St. Croix, La Pointe, Bad Ax, La Crosse and Oconto.

SEC. 2. Each division shall be divided and organised into two brigades as follows, to wit: First division—the counties of Milwaukee, Waukesha and Jefferson, shall constitute the first brigade. The counties of Racine, Kenosha and Walworth shall constitute the second brigade. Second division—The counties of Dane, Rock and Greene shall constitute the first brigade. The counties of Iowa, Lafayette and Grant shall constitute the second brigade. Third division—The counties of Dodge, Columbia, Marquette and Waushara shall constitute the first brigade. The counties of Fond du Lac, Sheboygan and Washington shall constitute the second brigade. Fourth division—The counties of Winnebago, Calumet, Waupacca and Manitowoc shall constitute the first brigade. The counties of Brown, Utagamie and Door shall constitute the second brigade. Fifth division—The counties of Crawford, Richland, Sauk and Adams shall constitute the first brigade. The counties of Portage, Marathon, Chippeway, St. Croix, La Pointe, Bad Ax, La Crosse and Oconto shall constitute the second brigade.

Division by
Brigades.

SEC. 3. Each brigade shall be divided and organised into as many regiments as there are counties within its bounds; each county constituting a regimental command, except wherein separate battalions are herein provided for.

Division by reg-
iments and bat-
tallions.

SEC. 4. The counties of Marathon, Chippewa, St. Croix, La Pointe, Bad Ax, La Crosse, Oconto, Waushara, and Waupacca shall each constitute a separate battalion.

SEC. 5. Each county shall be divided and organised into companies as follow, to wit: Each town in each county as organised under the town system of government shall constitute a separate company beat.

Division of com-
panies.

SEC. 6. The said divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions, and companies shall be officered and commanded in all respects in conformity with the provisions of the several acts of Congress of May eight, seventeen hundred and ninety-two, and of April twenty, eighteen hundred and sixteen, entitled "An Act more effectually to provide for the national defence by establishing a uniform militia throughout the United States."

Military Divi-
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SEC. 7. The Governor shall appoint and commission all of the proper officers in the said divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions

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Proviso. [

and companies, according to their respective ranks : Provided, that commanders of divisions, of brigades and regiments may select the staff officers of their respective commands.

Persons to be enrolled.

SEC. 8. Every free, able-bodied white male person who has resided within this State one month, and is between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, shall be enrolled in the militia of this State : Provided, that exemptions from the performance of militia duty may be granted, as hereafter provided by law.

Proviso!

Town Assessor to furnish Clerk of Supervisors with a militia list.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the town Assessor in each town in each county, as organised under the town system of government, on or before the first Monday of July annually, to make out and return into the office of the Clerk of the board of Supervisors of the county, a list of the names of all free able-bodied white male persons between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, who have resided for the term of one month within the bounds of said town, which list shall be separate from his assessment list, and shall be headed "Militia List;" for which service such assessor shall receive the sum of one cent for each person so by him returned on said list, to be paid in like manner as other services of such Assessor are paid.

Commanders of regiments to make returns to Adjutant General.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the several commanders of each regiment and separate battalion, on or before the first day of November annually to make out a separate roll of each company within the bounds of such regiment or separate battalion, which roll shall be copied and taken from the several returns of the town Assessors made as aforesaid ; which said company rolls so made out shall be returned by such commanding officers, and separate battalions within one month thereafter to the Adjutant General, certified by such commanding officer to be the several rolls of the companies of militia within the bounds of his command ; and any neglect or failure to perform the said duty shall be deemed a vacation of the commission of the officer so in default, unless such neglect or failure shall be accounted for satisfactorily to the Commander-in-chief."

Duty of Adjutant General.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the Adjutant General to receive and distribute all orders from the Governor as Commander-in-Chief of the militia, to the several officers of the said militia ; he shall furnish to the several officers of the militia, all forms and returns connected with a proper discharge of their respective duties, for which forms and returns, together with all postage on letters or packages from or to him on subjects connected with military duty he shall be paid out of the State treasury on settlement of his account with the auditor ; he shall give explanations and information on all matters connected with military duty to all militia officers whenever required by them ; he shall receive and file all returns made to him

of the militia, agreeably to law, keep a book constituting a general roster of the militia of the State, noting therein the several alterations of the bounds of divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions and companies, and their respective numbers, as they may from time to time occur; he shall annually make a detailed report thereof to the Governor, to be submitted to the legislature, and shall also transmit annually to the proper department of the general government such returns as are required by the several acts of Congress in relation to the militia of the United States; he shall instruct the proper officers, of the form in which such returns shall be made to him, and shall also in the annual report to the Governor particularly designate the number of militia in each brigade and regiment, and the number and kind of volunteer corps attached to the same respectively; he shall also distribute any arms, military stores, clothing accoutrements, and camp equipage, to the proper officers when legally required; he shall deliver to his successor his seal of office, and all books and papers belonging to his office, and shall receive the sum of three hundred dollars annual-Salary. ly as full compensation for all his services.

SEC. 12. Whenever, according to the returns of the numerical force of divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions or companies, it shall, in the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief become necessary to make any alterations in their respective bounds either by consolidation, or augmentation, in number in any manner whatever, the same shall be effected by general orders, and thereafter all officers necessary to be appointed in conformity with such alterations shall be appointed and commissioned according to the provisions of section seven of this act.

SEC. 13. It shall be the duty of the several Captains or commanding officers of each volunteer corps of, infantry, artillery, riflemen, cavalry, or mounted men, to make return of and report to the Adjutant General annually, of the respective rolls of their companies at the same time that returns are herein required to be made by the commanding officers of regiments and separate battalions.

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Alterations of bounds Divisions, &c., to be made by general orders.

Volunteer companies to report to Adjutant General.