the person having the greatest number of votes to be duly elected, and issue a commission accordingly; but if the election be contested, it shall be tried by a board of officers appointed by the Major-General, or officer commanding the division to which such brigade shall belong, to consist of a Brigadier-General and four other officers not under the rank of field officers from whose decision an armed shall be to the Cornel and four other officers from whose decision an armed shall be to the Cornel and four other officers.

of a Brigadier-General and four other officers not under the rank of field officers, from whose decision an appeal shall be to the Commander-in-Chief, whose decision shall be final and conclusive; and agreeably to his decision, the Major-General, or other officer commanding the division aforesaid, shall order another election, or shall commission the person duly elected, agreeably to the decision and approval aforesaid.

XXII. It shall be the duty of such Brigadier-General of infantry or cavalry to superintend and preserve the military organization of his brigade, and enforce strictly the Militia Laws and (the Brigadier-General of infantry) the Patrol Laws of this State, he shall annually make and transmit to the Adjutant and Inspector-General of this State, by the first day of October, a full and complete report of the strength of his brigade, of the public arms, equipments, books, ordnance and military stores in its possession; he shall, with his staff, attend a review and drill of each regiment of his brigade, at least once every year, and shall be responsible its possession; he shall, with his staff, attend a review and drill of each regiment of his brigade, at least once every year, and shall be responsible for the complete organization, correct instruction and good order of his brigade; he shall order and be responsible for the due execution of such inspections as may be required by law, and shall obey and execute all orders from the Commander-in-Chief, or any of his superior officers.

XXIII. The Brigadier-General of the fourth brigade shall cause each and every of the volunteer companies under his command to be inspected at least once in every year by his Adjutant-General; and shall organize and have under his command a fire-guard of the volunteer companies in the city of Charleston.

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XXIV. In all elections for Major-General or Brigadier-General, any officer entitled to vote may send his vote in writing, signed with his name, rank and title, under sealed cover, addressed to the officers holding such election for the regiment to which he belongs; or, if he be an officer attached to the division or brigade-staff, he may send his vote, signed and under seal, as aforesaid, addressed to the officers holding the election for the regiment in which he resides.

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XXV. A Colonel of the line shall be elected by all free white men, above the age of eighteen year; who have resided in the State at least six months next preceding the election, and belong to the regiment in which the receiver shall occur. No person shall be eligible to the office of above the age of eighteen years, who have resided in the State at least six months next preceding the election, and belong to the regiment in which the vacancy shall occur. No person shall be eligible to the office of Colonel, Lieutenant-Colonel, or Major in the line, unless he has held a commission in the regiment at least six months next preceding the election; or, having served four years at the South Carolina Military Academy, is a graduate thereof. When any vacancy shall take place in the commission of Colonel of a regiment, the Brigadier-General, or officer in command of the brigade in which such vacancy shall happen, shall issue his order to the officer commanding such regiment to order an election for a Colonel to fill such vacancy, who shall order each Captain, or commanding officer of a company of such regiment, to put up, at his company rendezvous, a notice of such election, at least twenty days before the day of election, and on the day of election, to order to his assistance two of his subaltern officers; or if there be but one or none, such deficiency shall be supplied by any member of the company he may appoint, so that these persons shall open and hold a poll at such company rendezvous, from eleven o'clock A. M. to three o'clock P. M.; and if there should be any company of such regiment without any officer, then the commandant of the regiment shall appoint three fit persons of the company to act as managers of the election for such company, and issue his orders to them. And the managers, or at least one of them from each place of election, shall meet at the regimental muster-ground, on the first or second day after the election, according to order by the officer commanding the brigade, count over the votes, and forthwith transmit to him a statement in writing, showing the result of such election, certified by all the managers present at such counting; and he shall pronounce the person having the greatest number of votes to be duly elected, and issue a commission accordingly.

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XXVI. Every person elected a Colonel to command a regiment, and having accepted the commission, shall be compelled to serve in such office for two years, under the penalty of one handred dollars, and fifty percent, on the amount of his last general tax, unless he shall be sooner promoted, shall remove out of the limits of his command, or shall, from bodily or mental infirmity, become incapable of performing his duty, or shall be deprived of his commission by sentence of a court-martial.

XXVII. It shall be the duty of each Colonel commanding a regiment to superintend and preserve the military organization of his regiment, and enforce strictly within the same the Militia (and the Colonel of infantry the Patrol) Laws of this State; he shall detail courts-martial, to meet at his regimental muster-ground, or at some other convenient place or places within his command, at least once in every six months, to try all defaulters in Militia or Patrol duty, and all officers (below the grade of field officers) and non-commissioned officers, for neglect of duty or disobedience of orders in his regiment; shall, at least once in every year, order out his regiment day before, order and assemble all his officers and non-commissioned officers, and shall drill, exercise and instruct them in such manceuvres as he intends to be performed at his regimental drill. He shall, at least once in every year, order out and attend a review and drill of each battalion of his regiment. He shall be responsible for the complete organization, correct instruction and good order of his regiment, shall perform such inspections as shall be required of him by law; shall, at least once in every year, order out and attend a review and drill of each battalion of his regiment. He shall be responsible for the com

XXVIII. When any vacancy shall occur in the commission of Lieutenant-Colonel of any regiment, the Brigadier-General, or officer commanding the brigade to which such regiment belongs, shall immediately issue a commission of Lieutenant-Colonel to the Major then in communication sion in such regiment; and if it should so happen that two Majors of any regiment should rank from the same day, the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel shall be determined between them by lot, under direction of the Brigadier-

KXIX. A Major of the line shall be elected by all free white men, above the age of eighteen years, who have resided in this State at least six months next preceding the election, and shall belong to the battalion in which vacancy shall occur. When any vacancy shall take place in the commission of Major of a battalion, the Brigadier-General, or officer in command of the brigade in which it shall happen, shall issue orders to the Colonel, or officer commanding the regiment in which such vacancy shall occur, commanding him to order an election for a Major to fill it; shall occur, commanding him to order an election for a Major to fill it; and he shall order each Captain, or officer commanding a company of the battalion aforesaid, to post up at his company rendezvous a notice of such election, at least fifteen days before the day of election, and, on the day of election, to order to his assistance two of his subordinate officers; or, if there be but one, or none, such deficiency may be supplied by any mem-

and hold a poll at such company rendezvous, from eleven o'clock A. M. to three o'clock P. M., for a Major to fill such vacancy. And, if there should be any company of such battalion without any officer, then the commandant of the regiment shall appoint three fit persons to act as managers of the election for such company, and issue his orders to them; the managers, or at least one of them from each place of election, shall meet at the battalion muster-ground, on the first or second day after the election, count the votes, and forthwith transmit to the Brigadier-General, or officer commanding the brigade, a statement, in writing, showing the result of the election, certified by all the managers present at such counting; and he shall pronounce the person having the greatest number of votes to be duly elected, and issue a commission to him accordingly.

XXX. It shall be the duty of each Lieutenant-Colonel or Major commanding a battalion, to assist the Colonel of his regiment in maintaining the military organization of his battalion, and enforcing the Militia (and the Lieutenant-Colonel and Major of infantry, the Patrol) Laws within the same; he shall, at least once in every year, under the orders of his Colonel, assemble his battalion, and shall exercise and instruct it in the school of the battalion, and shall, on the day preceding such drill, assemble all his officers and non-commissioned officers, and shall instruct and drill them in the manœuvres to be performed the next day. He shall be responsible for the correct instruction and good order of his battalion, and shall, when required by his Colonel, or any of his superior officers, make a full and complete return of the strength of his battalion, and of the public arms, equipments, books, ordunance and military stores in its possession, and shall obey and execute all orders from any of his superior officers. Every person elected, and having accepted the commission of a Major, to command a battalion, shall be compelled to serve in such office for two years, und fifty per cent. on the amount of his last general tax, unless such person shall be sconer promoted, or shall remove out of the limits of his command, or shall, from bodily or mental infirmity, become incapable of performing the duty thereof, or be deprived of his commission by sentence of a court-martial.

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XXXI. When the election of any field officer is contested, the Brigadier-General of the brigade to which such field officer shall belong shall order to his assistance two field officers of some other regiment of his brigade, not interested in the event of the dispute, and shall hear and determine the validity of such election; and either of the candidates shall have the right to appeal from such decision to the Major-General of the division to which he belongs; and the said Major-General, together with a board of general and field officers, to be appointed by, and to consist of, the said Major-General, not less than one Brigadier-General and three field officers, shall hear said appeal, and their decision shall be conclusive.

XXXII. It shall be the duty of the Adjutant and Inspector-General to attend once in two years the muster of each regiment in the State, and the drill of the officers of each the day previous; and whenever he shall deem it necessary, he may instruct the officers of the regiment: Provided, There shall be no superior officer present who may think proper to assume the direction of the drill. He shall, with the consent of the Commander-in-Chief, have power to order out for drill the regiments at such times as

There shall be no superior officer present who may think proper to assume the direction of the drill. He shall, with the consent of the Commander-in-Chief, have power to order out for drill the regiments at such times as will best permit him to perform the duties of his office; he shall keep a military bureau in Columbia, in which he shall keep a true record of the number and rank of each division, brigade and regiment in the State; he shall procure a record, annually, of the return of the strength, arms and equipments of the Militia, the names, ranks and dates of commissions of all the general and field officers; shall record all military orders received by him, and, generally, all matters which relate to his office or the Militia, and which in his opinion may be necessary to enable him to exhibit the true strength, character and condition of the military force of the State. He shall, once a year, visit and inspect the arsenals and magazines in this State, and report to the Commander-in-Chief their condition, the number-kind and condition of arms, equipments and public stores in each, the number and description of public arms and equipments distributed to the Militia each year, and the disposition and condition of such distributions, the strength of the guards at each, the duties performed by them, their general condition and efficiency to discharge the duties required by them; and to enable him to perform this duty, the Quartermaster-General the Militia each year, and the disposition and condition of such distributions, the strength of the guards at each, the duties performed by them, their general condition and efficiency to discharge the duties required by them; and to enable him to perform this duty, the Quartermaster-General and other officers having charge of these departments, shull, when required, make full reports to him of the different matters committed to their charge. He—hall distribute all orders from the Commander-in-Chief to the several cor;—and obey all orders from him, furnish blank forms of different returns that may be required, and explain the principles on which they should be made; he shall make a return of the Militia, with their arms, accountrements and ammunition, to the President of the United States, on or before the first Monday in January in each year; he shall be charged with the marshaling and inspection of troops, the correspondence in relation to all military affairs, and when in the field, with all general details of service of every description; he shall be obeyed by all officers of his department, which shall consist of the Division and Brigade Adjutant and Inspector-Generals, the Adjutant and Sergeant-Majors of regiments, Orderly Sergeants and Clerks of companies, who shall, in addition to any other drites which may be required of them by the commandants of the respective corps to which they are attached, be charged with the performance (in their respective corps) of the duties prescribed for the Adjutant and Inspector-General.

XXXIII. The salary of the Adjatant and Inspector-General shall henceforth be one thousand five hundred dollars, and of the Quartermaster-General, two hundred dollars, annually.

XXXIV. It shall be the duty of the Quartermaster-General to superintend and inspect, at least once in every year, the arsenals and magazines of the State; to provide for the transportation and safe-keeping of the tents, arms, camp equipage and ammunition; he shall be charged with the quartering and transporting t

kind of arms, ammunition, ordnance and military stores and equipments remaining in the arsenals and magazines, and the number and kind delivered out, to whom, and upon what condition, and generally upon all artment; he shall, also, unnually make to the Commander in Chief a full report of the amount of money received by each division, brigade and regimental Quartermaster in the State, the amount paid out by each, and the amount remaining in the hands of each he shall be charged with the payment of the Militia when in the service of the State; he shall give bond, with sureties, payable to the State of South Carolina, for the faithful discharge of his duty, in such sum as may be deemed necessary by the Commander-in-Chief, which bond shall be deposited in the office of the Adjutant-General; he shall be obeyed by all officers of his department, which shall consist of the division, brigade and regimental Quartermasters, Quartermaster-Sergeants, the arsenal keepers and powder receivers, who shall, in addition to any other duties which may be required of them by their immediate commanders, be charged with the performance (in their respective corps) of the duties prescribed for the Quartermaster-General.

XXXV. In addition to the duties prescribed for the Quartermaster-General, it shall be the duty of each Division Quartermaster to receive all fines imposed by any court-martial appointed by his Major-General, and to pay over the same to the order of the Commander-in-Chief, or such Major-General; he shall annually make to the Quartermaster-General and ber of the company that he may appoint, so that three persons shall open his Major-General a full report of the amount of money received by

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