

**CHAP. 182.** receive the same, and in all things faithfully discharge the duties of his office.

Monies directed to be paid into hands of paymaster How to be applied

**47. AND BE IT ENACTED,** That all money hereby directed to be paid into the hands of the paymasters of the several regiments or extra battalions, shall be appropriated to the use of the respective regiments or extra battalions in the following manner, to wit: In the first place, to defray the necessary expenses of the regiment or extra battalion, and of the several companies composing the same, and after such necessary expenses are discharged, then the balance to be applied by the field-officers of the respective regiments or extra battalions, to the purchase of muskets and accoutrements necessary thereto, which, when purchased, shall be distributed by the said field-officers among such persons in their respective regiments and extra battalions as are adjudged to be too indigent to purchase the same at their own expense; which said money in the hands of the said paymasters, shall only be drawn therefrom by an order or orders in writing, under the hand of the field-officers of the regiment, or any two of them, or under the hands of the major and two captains of an extra battalion, specifying the purpose for which the same is drawn.

Commanders of regiments, &c. may establish places of deposit for arms, &c.

**48. AND BE IT ENACTED,** That the commandants of regiments, extra battalions, and independent corps, are hereby authorised to establish within their several districts some secure place of deposit for the arms and accoutrements belonging to said regiment, extra battalion or independent corps, and they are empowered, if they shall deem it necessary and proper, to order each commandant of a company within their district, to return their arms and accoutrements to such place of deposit after each and every parade; and they the said commandants of regiments, extra battalions and independent corps, are hereby required, under a penalty of fifty dollars, to employ some person to keep said arms and accoutrements in good order, and arrange them in such a manner so that each commandant of a company shall receive the same arms which are or may be first held by such company; and said armourer, or person so attending, shall be paid a reasonable sum for his services, out of the fines of the regiment, extra battalion, independent corps or company. (as the case may be;) and all commandants of companies who shall be ordered by their superior officer to deliver the arms and accoutrements belonging to said company to such place of deposit as by said officer shall be designated, are hereby required, under a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars, at the discretion of a court-martial, to comply with said order.

Arms and accoutrements shall not be sold.

**49. AND BE IT ENACTED,** That if any auctioneer, constable, or other person, shall sell any arms or accoutrements where there is reason to believe they are the property of the state, such person shall, for every gun or the accoutrements of a militia-man thus sold, forfeit the sum of ten dollars, to be recovered by any commissioned officer under this act, in the same manner that other fines and forfeitures are directed to be recovered under this act.

Persons not wishing to uniform to be drilled.

**50. AND BE IT ENACTED,** That the several commanding officers of companies in whose district a uniform company may be formed agreeably to the provisions of this act, and where a number of persons belonging to said district shall not wish to uniform themselves, such commanding officers shall hereby be authorised to drill, or