

Officers re-
quired to
arm.

by this act; and that it shall be the duty of every commissioned officer to arm himself, as shall be prescribed by the commander-in-chief of the militia of this state.

Staff of ex-
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SEC. 41. *And be it enacted,* That each extra battalion or squadron, shall have the same staff officers appointed, commissioned, and attached thereto, as are attached to a regiment.

Colours;
drum; fifes,
&c.

SEC. 42. *And be it enacted,* That the state and regimental colours shall be provided by the field officers, and drums, fifes, bugles, and trumpets, by the commissioned officers of companies, contributing in the proportion of the pay to which they would be entitled, if in actual service; but the governor and council may distribute any drums, fifes, bugles, and trumpets, belonging to this state, among the uniform or draughted militia thereof, when, and as they shall deem expedient, taking receipts from the commanding officers, for those that may be delivered to them, respectively, in which the signer shall obligate to return the same when demanded, or pay the value thereof to the state, which value shall be specified in such receipt.

By-stander
interrupting

SEC. 43. *And be it enacted,* That if any bystander shall interrupt, molest, or insult any officer or soldier, while on duty, at any time required by this act, or by the laws of any company, the commanding officer of the company, at the time of such offence, may cause the offender to be confined for the day, and fined not exceeding fifty dollars, in the discretion of a company court martial, which court shall proceed on such trial in like manner as other courts martial, for imposing fines under this act; and if the like misconduct shall take place before any court martial, towards any officer, soldier, or other person attending said court, or towards said court, or any member thereof, the said court may cause such offender to be confined for the day, and may fine him not exceeding fifty dollars; and the fines imposed under this section shall be collected and paid over by the sheriff of the proper county, as is provided in other cases by this act.

Penalty.

Interrupt-
ing court
martial.

Confine-
ment, &c.
Fines.

Militiamen
on parade,
&c.

Exempt
from arrest
for civil
suit.

Soldier
appearing
without
arms.

SEC. 44. *And be it enacted,* That no officer, non-commissioned officer, or private, of the militia, in his attendance at, going to, or returning from muster, shall be subject to arrest for any civil matter, nor shall his military equipments be subject to distress, attachment, or execution for debt.

Penalty.

SEC. 45. *And be it enacted,* That if any non-commissioned officer, or private, who has provided himself with a musket or firelock, or who has received one, the property of the state, shall appear in the ranks, at any meeting for inspection or drill, ordered by this act, or the by-laws of the company of which he is a member, without such musket or firelock, he shall be fined a sum not less than one dollar, nor more than two dollars, in the discretion of the officer then commanding said company;