and commanding officers of companies of their respective regiments or a majority of them present at the meeting called for the purpose: the lieutenant-colonels shall be recommended by the majors and commanding officers of companies of their respective regiments or a majority of them present at the meeting called for the purpose; the majors shall be recommended by the commanding officers of companies of their respective regiments or a majority of them present at the meeting called for the purnose: the company officers respectively shall be recommended by the members of their company or a majority of them present at the meeting called for the purpose; and the brigade and regimental staff officers shall be recommended by the respective commanding officers of the brigade and regiments; and whenever a brigadier-general is to be recommended the oldest commanding officer in rank in said brigade, shall give three days notice of the time and place of holding the meeting therefor, in at least three of the public newspapers in the city of Baltimore. and whenever a colonel is to be recommended a similar notice shall be given by the oldest officer in rank in his regiment, and whenever a lieutenant-colonel, major or company officer is to be recommended a similar notice shall be given by the command. ing officer of his regiment. And any of such meetings may adjourn from time to time, until the said recommendation shall have been decided on, provided notice thereof is made public as aforesaid; and the said meetings respectively shall appoint a secretary who shall certify to the proceedings thereof and within three days thereafter transmit them to the officer to whom by the fifty-third section of the act, to which this is a supplement, resignations are directed to be made, who shall within five days after such writ forward it to the governor and council and apply for commissions for the officer or officers so recommended; Provided however, that in the first organization of the fifth Proviso. infantry regiment and regiment of cavalry as aforesaid. the notice for the meetings to recommend the several officers in said regiments be issued by the commanding officer of the first regiment of riflemen, and the certified proceedings made to him, who shall forward them and apply for commissions as aforesaid. And if any officer shall neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this section as required of him, he shall be cashiered or fined a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars in the discretion of such court martial as the case may require.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That the said brigade shall as- Days of semble for militia duty on the second Monday in April, second parade. Monday in May, second Monday in June, and second Monday in October, agreeably to the provisions of the thirteenth section of the original act, and the second section of the supplement thereto passed at the last session.