

CHAP. 182. 5. **AND BE IT ENACTED,** That any officer summoned to attend as a member of a general or division court-martial, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, nor less than twenty-five dollars, unless he can give a reasonable excuse to the court for such non-attendance; and any officer summoned to attend as a member of a brigade court-martial, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding fifty dollars, nor less than ten dollars, unless he can give a reasonable excuse; and any officer summoned to attend as a member of a regimental or extra battalion court-martial, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, shall be fined in a sum not exceeding thirty dollars nor less than five dollars, unless he can give a reasonable excuse; and any officer summoned to attend as a member of a company court-martial, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding ten dollars, nor less than two dollars, unless he can give a reasonable excuse; and any non-commissioned officer or private, summoned to attend as a member of a company court-martial, who shall refuse or neglect to attend at the time and place appointed, he shall be fined in a sum not exceeding five dollars, nor less than one dollar, unless he can give a reasonable excuse; and said fines shall be collected under such regulation, and on such conditions, as other fines of a similar description by this act directed, and when collected, paid over to the paymaster of the respective regiments or extra battalions to which such delinquent belongs, except in case where a general officer shall have incurred a fine, then said fine to be collected by the sheriff of the county in which he resides, and the amount, (after deducting ten *per centum* for collection,) paid to the treasurer of the shore on which such delinquent resides.

6. This section repealed by May 1813, ch. 19.

7. By this section each brigadier general was required to order, in each year, at least two meetings of the field officers of his brigade; and every commandant of a regiment or extra-battalion, was required, in each year, to order at least four meetings of the majors and officers attached to his regiment or extra-battalion, at some central place, and there drill and instruct the said officers in all the necessary duties of a soldier; and to establish a uniformity of manœuvres and discipline. But by December 1813, ch. 172, s. 8, so much of this act as relates to the drill meetings of the officers is repealed, this section is therefore omitted.

8. **AND,** for the purpose of disciplining the militia of this state, **BE IT ENACTED,** That each brigadier-general, or commanding officer of a brigade, shall appoint a day for the meeting and exercising of each battalion of his brigade in the month of May next, and shall also appoint a day for the meeting, exercising and inspection, in the month of September next, of each regiment and extra battalion, so that it shall be in the power of the brigade inspector to attend to inspect the same; and it shall be the duty of the brigade inspector to give notice to the commanding officers of regiments and extra battalions, composing the brigade to which he belongs, of the days so appointed, at least forty days previous thereto, which days, when so appointed, shall continue to be the days of meeting of the regiments and battalions annually, unless otherwise ordered by the brigadier or commanding officer of the brigade; and if any brigade inspector shall neglect to give the no-

Officers or privates neglecting to attend court-martial, may be fined.

Disciplining the militia. Exercise and inspection days.