shall, so far as practicable, conform to the laws and regulations governing the organizing of the United States volunteer forces, their discipline, equipment, armament and officers, and which rules and regulations shall have the force of law.

2. The militia of this state shall consist of all able bodied male citizens of this state, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, and not exempt by the laws of the United States (excepting, however, the lieutenant governor, the secretary of the state, the comptroller, the treasurer, and all persons whose religious opinions and conscientious scruples forbid them to bear arms, who shall produce to the proper authority proof that they are so conscientious.) *What militia to consist of*

3. The militia shall be divided into two classes, the first class, or the active militia, shall be styled The Maryland National Guard, and shall consist of the volunteer militia forces, and such as may be drafted into such forces, as hereinafter provided; and in case of war, invasion, insurrection or riots, or the reasonable apprehension of such, the first class shall be first called into service, unless the governor, as commander-in-chief, shall otherwise direct, and the first division of the national guard shall be formed within the city of Baltimore; the second class or the reserve militia, shall be called out, either in whole or in part, only when the public safety, from the causes aforesaid, shall be so imminently endangered as to require, in the opinion of the commander-in-chief, a larger force than the national guard can immediately supply. *How divided. Maryland national guard. Reserve militia.*

4. In case of war, rebellion, insurrection, or threatened invasion of this or any neighboring state, the commander-in-chief is hereby authorized to order out, for actual service, either by calling for volunteers, by draft or otherwise, as many of the militia as the exigency may in his judgment require; and the commander-in-chief is hereby vested with the full power and authority to fill up the national *Powers of commander-in-chief.*