ARMORIES.

- 28 Governor to appoint armorers.
- 29 Bond
- 30 Armorers to report number and quality of
- 31 Removal of arms, etc., to be reported.
- 32 Governor may appoint persons to take inventory of arms, etc.
- 1. The militia of this State shall consist of all able-bodied white 1870, c. 182, s 1. male citizens, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, and what into not exempt by the laws of the United States, except the comptroller, 33 Md 386, 38 Md 297 the treasurer, the secretary of state, judges and clerks of courts of record, registers of wills, sheriffs, and ministers of any religious denomination. And it shall be the duty of the different officers of Officers of regisregistration throughout the State to furnish annually to the adjutant-nish list annually general a list of all persons in their respective districts composing the militia as aforesaid.

2. In case of war, rebellion, insurrection or threatened invasion Id s 2 Call for volunof this or any neighboring State, the governor, as commander-in- teers or druft 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 in such case he is hereby vested with the full power and authority to make all needful rules and regulations therefor, which rules and regulations shall have the force of law.

3. At all times the commander-in-chief is hereby authorized to Id . 3 make and publish all needful rules and regulations for the control, mander-indiscipline, armament and equipment of the militia, to carry out the provisions of this act, which rules and regulations shall, as far as Regulations to practicable, conform to the laws and regulations governing the conform to the laws and regulations governing the of the United States volunteer forces their discussions States. organizing of the United States volunteer forces, their discipline, armament, equipment and officers, and which rules and regulations shall have the force of law.

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4. The enrolment and organization of the militia of this State Id 8 4 into divisions, brigades, regiments, battalions, squadrons, batteries ment to conand companies, as numbered and recorded in the office of the adjutant-general, shall continue, subject to be altered by the commander-in-chief from time to time, as he may direct.

5. Whenever a sufficient number of the militia shall meet to Id s 5 gether and declare their purpose in writing to form a volunteer com- companies pany, by subscribing their names to an agreement to that effect, they may proceed to elect company officers as provided in section nine of this article, provided their numbers shall not consist of less than forty nor more than eighty persons. The captain elect shall thereupon transmit to the adjutant-general the original agreement signed by the members proposing to organize said company, together with the proceedings of the meeting held for the election, duly attested by its chairman and secretary; and whenever the said officers elect are commissioned by the governor as provided in section ten, and the oaths of office as provided in section twenty-three