

mander-in chief, on the nomination of the commander. The commander-in chief shall prescribe the number and rank of all warrant and petty officers. Warrant officers and petty officers not assigned to a division shall be appointed and examined, and, if found qualified, warranted by the commander or commanding officer; divisional petty officers shall be appointed by the commanding officers of the respective divisions who shall certify the same to the commander or commanding officer; the commander, or commanding officer, shall thereupon cause an examination of the officers so appointed, to be held, and, if they shall be qualified, he shall issue warrants accordingly. The rank given in this article to officers of the first naval battalion is naval rank. The relative rank of officers in said battalion with officers in the United States Army is as follows: Commander, with lieutenant colonel; lieutenant commander, with major; lieutenant, with captain; lieutenant junior grade, with first lieutenant; and ensigns, with second lieutenant. The relative position of seamen shall be that of private in the United States army, and the relative positions of petty officers in the said naval battalion with non-commissioned officers in the United States army shall be determined by the commander-in-chief.

1896, ch. 89.

10. Whenever it shall be or become necessary to organize new companies to make up the complement of the twelve companies of any of the three regiments as provided for by this article, the regimental commander shall proceed to organize such companies under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the commander-in-chief.

Ibid.

11. The brigade staff shall be composed of the following officers and non-commissioned officers, viz: one adjutant general, one inspector general, and one chief surgeon, all with the rank of colonel; one chief quartermaster, one chief commissary, one chief paymaster, one ordnance officer and inspector of small arms practice, and one judge advocate, all with the rank of major; and the personal staff of the brigadier-general shall consist of two aids, with the rank of first lieutenant; all of whom shall be appointed and commissioned by the governor, on the nomination