

except the naval brigade, shall be ordered by the brigade commander; the election of captains and lieutenants of the companies in the several regiments shall be ordered by the respective regimental commanders. The election of officers of the naval brigade shall be as follows: The time, place and manner of holding said elections shall be determined by the commander-in-chief when the office to be filled is that of captain; by the captain, if there be one, if not, by the commander-in-chief, when the office is commander or lieutenant-commander; by the captain or commanding officer for the election of any other commissioned officer of said battalion.

1900, ch. 657.

14. The names of persons duly elected or nominated to offices in accordance with the provisions of this article shall be forwarded to the commander-in chief to the end that commissions may be issued to them, but before forwarding such names the brigade commander or regimental commander or the commanding officer of the naval brigade, as the case may be, shall require the persons so elected, and may require those nominated to be examined with respect to their qualifications and fitness to fill the offices to which they have been elected, or for which they have been nominated, respectively, by a board of examiners. The board of examiners for the examination of officers, except officers of the naval brigade, shall consist, for the examination of all officers above the rank of captain, of three officers in the brigade above the rank of captain, and for the examination of aides on the staff of the brigadier-general and of officers of the separate organizations, of three officers not above the rank of captain to be appointed by the brigade commander; and for the examination of all regimental officers not above the rank of captain, of three officers of the regiments to be appointed by the regimental commander. The board of examiners for the examination of officers of the naval brigade shall consist of three officers of said brigade to be appointed by the captain or commanding officer. On the report of any such boards of examiners the appointing officer shall forward said report through the regular channels to the commander-in-chief, and if the commander-in-chief shall adjudge a person unqualified for the office