

to which he has been elected or nominated, as aforesaid, another person shall, within twenty days after due notice of such adverse decision, be elected or nominated, and in default of such election or nomination the vacancy may be filled by the commander-in-chief. All officers whose election or nomination, as set forth in this article, shall be approved by the Governor and commander-in-chief shall be duly commissioned by him.

1900, ch. 657.

14 A. Every applicant for enlistment in the Maryland National Guard shall be physically examined in accordance with such standard of examination as may be prescribed by the commander-in-chief. And to each enlistment certificate shall be attached the certificate of the examining surgeon, certifying that the enlisted man therein designated has successfully passed the physical examination required by this article.

Ibid.

15. Every commissioned officer, non-commissioned officer and private, before he enters upon his duties or exercises any command, shall take and subscribe in such manner and before such person as the commander-in-chief may direct, the following oath or affirmation, viz: "In the presence of Almighty God, I _____, do solemnly promise (or declare) that I will bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland and will support the constitution thereof." "In the presence of Almighty God, I, _____, do solemnly promise (or declare) that I will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties incumbent upon me, according to the best of my ability and understanding, agreeably to the constitution and laws of the State of Maryland." "In the presence of Almighty God, I, _____, do solemnly promise (or declare) that I will support the constitution of the United States and the laws made in pursuance thereof." Which oath or affirmation shall be duly certified by the person before whom the same is made, and said certificate, together with the surgeon's certificate provided for by this article, shall be forwarded to the commander-in-chief through the proper channels.