

vacancy whenever the interest of said service may in his judgment require him so to do.

33. The salary of the commander of the State Fishery Force shall be fifteen hundred dollars, and the salary of deputy commanders in charge of steamers shall be one thousand dollars per annum ; and they shall have power to appoint one officer at a salary of six hundred dollars per annum, one engineer or machinist at a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum, and one pilot at a salary of thirty dollars per month, three seamen at a salary of twenty-five dollars each per month, two firemen at a salary of twenty-five dollars each per month, one steward and one cook at a salary of twenty-five dollars each per month ; and each deputy commander of sloops or vessels shall receive a salary of eight hundred dollars per annum ; he shall have the power to appoint one officer at a salary of five hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and four seamen at a salary of forty dollars per month during the oyster season and thirty dollars per month after the season each, to be selected from the district in which they are respectively to serve.

34. The officers and crews of the vessels aforesaid shall each receive one ration per day of the quality and quantity such as is allowed by law to the officers and crews of the revenue marine of the United States, but no rations shall be allowed to officers or crews of sailing vessels ; and in addition to the foregoing the comptroller is hereby directed to issue annually his warrant on the treasurer in the sum of fifteen dollars for each member of the fishery force in favor of the commander, to be expended by him in the purchase of uniforms for the members of said force, and the members of said force shall, at all times, keep themselves neatly clothed in proper uniform when on duty and the treasurer is hereby requested to pay said warrant.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That all acts or part of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent that they are so inconsistent, provided, that nothing herein contained shall apply to Worcester County.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to effect any prosecution for violations of the existing laws of this State, or for offenses against the same committed before the passage of this act.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 31st, 1892.