

to the arsenal at Frederick, the number of troops on duty there, and as to whether they should be paid for said services, beg leave, most respectfully, to report that they have had the same under consideration, and offer the following report: The Governor, by the constitution, being made commander-in-chief of the military forces of the State, the power to order out the militia of the State when in his judgment such a course is necessary "to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, and enforce the execution of the laws," being conferred upon him by said instrument, and the fact appearing in his communication that to him it seemed necessary upon this occasion to exercise this power, the committee do not feel called upon at this time to go behind these facts for purposes of inquiry into the validity of the causes which induced the Governor to issue the order referred to. The number of troops upon duty is a matter upon which the Governor must exercise his discretion, as commander-in-chief, in his instructions to his subordinates. Upon the main point upon which this committee feels called to act, viz: As to whether these troops are to be paid, and what amount they are to receive, the committee unanimously recommend that an appropriation, based upon the army regulations, should be made at the proper time to be distributed to such troops as have been upon actual duty, as compensation for services rendered the State. But owing to the fact that matters of grave importance are pressing upon the consideration of this Legislature, coupled with the fact that a portion of these troops are still upon duty, the committee recommend that the appropriation be deferred to a subsequent session of the Legislature, when the whole claim can be properly adjusted.

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Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Pitts,

Leave was granted the committee on Military Affairs to introduce a bill to provide for paying the uniformed volunteers of the Light Division who have been on duty in the city of Baltimore since the 19th day of April, 1861.