

panies, and at camps, depots and other similar military establishments, or belonging to such ambulance companies and field hospitals as may be organized.

SEC. 25. The Adjutant General's Department, the Inspector General's Department, the Judge Advocate General's Department, the Quartermaster Department, the Subsistence Department, the Pay Department and the Ordnance Department shall each consist of the Staff Officers of grades authorized in the similar Staff Corps and departments of the regular army necessary to perform the duties pertaining to the respective corps and departments on the staffs of brigades and divisions and at camps, depots, and other similar military establishment. Officers of the Ordnance Department may be detailed as inspector of small arms, practice of divisions, brigades, regiments, and separate squadrons and battalions. Post Quartermaster Sergeants, Post Commissary Sergeants and Ordnance Sergeants shall belong respectively to the Quartermaster Department, the Subsistence Department and the Ordnance Department.

SEC. 26. The officers in these Staff Departments shall be appointed and commissioned by the Commander-in-Chief at his discretion; the chiefs of departments upon the recommendation of the Brigade Commander, and all others upon the recommendation of the commanding officers of the respective regiments or other organizations to which these officers are to be assigned, as other staff officers are appointed. The non-commissioned officers provided for in these departments shall be warranted by the Brigade Commander.

SEC. 27. The Medical Department shall consist of the officers necessary to perform the duties pertaining to the Medical Department on the staffs of brigades and divisions and at camps, depots, and other similar military establishment, of the surgeons and assistant surgeons attached to regiments, separate squadrons and battalions, troops, batteries and companies, for the purpose of furnishing medical attendance of the medical officers requisite for the organization of such ambulance companies and field hospitals as may be authorized, and of the Hospital Corps. When desired, a female nurse corps may be provided.

SEC. 28. There shall be one commissioned officer with the rank of Major, who shall be authorized to perform the duties of Engineer Officer on the Staff of the Brigade Commander, and who shall be chief of this department.

SEC. 29. Upon the application of the commanding officer of a regiment or battalion not part of a regiment, or the commanding officer of the Naval Brigade, the Governor may authorize