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make return, in writing, of such arrangement of bounds, to the adjutant general's office, to be therein preserved; and the commanding officer of each regiment, battalion and extra battalion, within the said brigades, is hereby required to order a meeting of the company officers within their several districts, previous to the first of March next, at some convenient place, who, or a majority of them, shall revise and fix the bounds of the several company districts; and the said commanding officers of regiments, battalions and extra battalions, shall forthwith make return thereof, in writing, to the brigade inspectors, respectively, to be by them recorded; and the said several districts shall be altered or arranged in like manner, and under the same penalties, whenever the said officers shall respectively deem it necessary for the greater convenience of those liable to militia duty, and returns thereof made as in this section before directed; and in case either of said officers shall neglect or refuse to execute the duties required in this section, he shall be fined not exceeding one hundred dollars, in the discretion of such court martial, as the case may require.

11. *And be it enacted,* That the companies of each regiment and extra battalion shall have their meetings respectively, for exercise and parade, as prescribed by this act, at the same place, where they shall be formed into regiment or extra battalion, as the case may be, and marched to the place of exercise and parade; and on the days established under this act for brigade, regimental, extra battalion, or battalion parades, they shall be delivered over by the commanding officers of regiments and extra battalion, to the commanding officer of brigade, regiment, extra battalion, or battalion, as the case may be, who shall exercise, or cause the same to be exercised; and on the days established by this act for company parades, they shall, in like manner, be delivered over to the commanding officers of companies, who shall exercise, or cause the same to be exercised, under the direction and superintendance of the said commanding officers of regiments, or extra battalion, as the case may be; and in either case when the duties of the day shall be finished, they shall be formed into regiment or extra battalion, as the case may be, and being marched to the place of assembling, shall be dismissed; and if any officer shall neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of this section, he shall be cashiered, or fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, in the discretion of such court martial, as the case may require.

All companies to meet at the same place and form into regt. or ex. batt.

12. *And be it enacted,* That at all the meetings required by this act, the commanding officers of each company shall appoint a fit and proper person, who shall at the end of half an hour after the time appointed for said meetings, call over the muster roll of the company, noting those who are absent; and within two days thereafter shall make return, in writing, of such absentees, to the commanding officer of his company; and the said commanding officer shall, within three days thereafter, cause the same to be entered on his company book, and transmitted to the commanding officer of his regiment, or extra battalion, together with a consolidated return of the strength of his company, which shall be entered on the books of the regiment; and the commanding officer of each regiment, or extra battalion, shall in like manner cause the names of all the commissioned and staff officers to be called over by the adjutant, or

Roll to be called and absentees noted.