

annually make a return, in triplicate, of all the militia of this state, on or before the first day of January—one copy to be delivered to the commander-in-chief—one copy to be transmitted to the adjutant general of the United States army, and one copy to be filed in his own office. He shall receive and file all returns made to him according to law, and annually make a detailed report thereof to the commander-in-chief, and he shall also perform such other duties as may properly belong to his office, or which may be prescribed by the commander-in-chief, and he shall keep his office and discharge the duties thereof at Annapolis.

Duties of officers of general staff.

8. The other officers of the general staff of the militia shall, when directed by the commander-in-chief, and under rules and regulations that may be prescribed by him, perform the duties that properly belong to their several offices, or such other duties as may be assigned to them by the commander-in-chief, but they shall receive no compensation therefor, except when on actual service, by command of the commander-in-chief, and mustered in with the troops.

Election of officers.

9. All field officers of regiments and battalions shall be elected by the ballots of the commissioned officers of the companies composing said regiments or battalions; all generals of brigades or divisions shall be elected by the ballots of the commanding officers of the regiments and battalions comprising said brigades or divisions; company officers shall be elected by the ballots of the members of their respective companies; *provided*, that at such elections a majority of the ballots of the qualified voters shall be requisite to an election. The commissioned and non-commissioned staff shall be appointed by the commanding officer of the respective division, brigade, regiment, battalion or squadron; non-commissioned officers of companies shall be appointed by the commanders of their respective companies; and warrants of non-commissioned officers shall be issued by their respective regimental or battalion commanders.

Proviso.

Appointments.

Warrants.