## Act of 21 February 1861

Statute I, Chapter XI – To establish the Post Office Department

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Established the Confederate Post Office Department and the office of Postmaster General

## CHAP. XI .- To establish the Post Office Department

February 21, 1851.

The Congress of the Confederate States of America do enact, That Post Office Depart there shall be an executive department, to be denominated the Post ment established. Office Department, and there shall be a principal officer therein, to be called the Postmaster General, who shall perform such duties in relation to post offices and post routes, as shall be enjoined on him by the salary. President of the Confederate States, agreeably to the constitution and the laws of the land, who shall be paid an annual salary to be fixed by law, and have power to appoint a chief clerk and such inferior clerks as may be found necessary, who shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by law.

May appoint clerks

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