

HEAD QUARTERS, DEPARTMENT No. 2.

TUPELO, Miss., July 19th, 1862.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 102. }

So much of Section 10, of the "Act to further provide for the Public Defence," approved April 16th, 1862, as relates to the promotion of officers, to fill vacancies, shall be construed in this Department to require promotion in the line of each grade by seniority in the regiment, or battalion, and not in the companies: that is, the senior 1st Lieutenant of the regiment, shall succeed to the first vacancy in the line of Captains, and so on.

II. Hereafter, soldiers discharged at any of the interior Posts, will, upon proper certificates, be paid whatever is due them from the government, by the Quartermaster on duty at the place of discharge, who must be habitually provided with funds for that purpose.

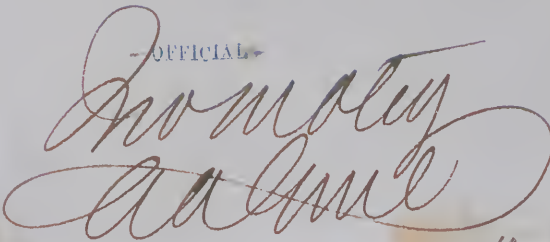
III. Surgeons in charge of hospitals, will, at least once a month, render to these Headquarters, lists of all invalid soldiers under their charge, who, incapable of performing the active duties of a soldier in the field or camp, because of wounds, or disease, are however, capable of rendering efficient service, whether in hospitals, or fit for detail on extra duty in any particular Staff Department of this Army. X

IV. Non-commissioned officers will not be kept as nurses, or on duty in hospitals, after they become fit for duty, except specially detailed from these Headquarters.

By command of GENERAL BRAGG.

THOMAS JORDAN,  
Chief of Staff.

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A large, flowing handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to read "Thomas Jordan". The signature is written in a cursive style with many loops and flourishes.