

the same shall devolve on the vice president ; and the congress may, by law, provide for the case of removal, death, or inability both of the president and vice-president, declaring what officer shall then act as president ; and such officer shall act accordingly, until the disability be removed, or a president shall be elected.

VII. The president shall, at stated times, receive for his services, a compensation which shall neither be increased or diminished during the period for which he shall have been elected : and he shall not receive, within that period, any other emolument from the United States, or any of them.

VIII. Before he enter on the execution of his office, he shall take the following oath or affirmation—

“ I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of president of the United States ; and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect, and defend the constitution of the United States.

SECTION II.

I. The president shall be commander in chief of the army and navy of the United States, and of the militia of the several states, when called into the actual service of the United States. He may require the opinion in writing of the principal officers in each of the executive departments, upon any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices ; and he shall have power to grant reprieves and pardons, for offences against the United States, except in cases of impeachment.

II. He shall have power, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, to make treaties, provided two-thirds of the senators present concur ; and he shall nominate, and by and with the advice and con-