

Soldiers shall not only be cloathed and armed according to the Lib. C. B.
Samples sent with His Majestys Instructions, and furnished
with Tents, and entertained in his Majesty's Pay, but that,
after their Arrival at the General Place of Rendezvous, they
shall be provided for in Every other Respect as his Majesty's
British Troops, that they shall have their just Share and Pro-
portion of all Plunder and Booty gained or taken from the
Enemy according to their Services and if by the Blessing of
God upon his Majestys Arms any of the Enemies Lands or
Settlements shall fall into his Majestys hands His Majesty's p. 99
American Troops shall have a Share thereof as well as the
rest of his Maj. Forces, in Preference to all Persons who shall
not have engaged in the present Expedition And His Majesty
has been graciously pleased further to declare, that so soon as
the present Expedition shall be determined, whatever the
Success thereof may be, all the Troops raised in his Majesty's
American Colonies for this Purpose, as well Officers as
Soldiers, shall have free Leave to return to their respective
Provinces, and shall be transported thither at his Majestys
Expence, except Those only that shall chuse for their own
Advantage to settle or remain in such places or Garrisons as
may fall into his Majestys Hands, where they shall receive
all due Encouragement and the Soldiers, whether they
remain there or return home after the s^d Expedition shall
retain their Arms and Cloathing

I Do therefore, in Obedience to his Majestys Royal Com-
mands with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State,
issue this my Proclamation most earnestly to invite all his
Majestys faithful Subjects within this Province chearfully to
enlist themselves in his Majestys Service in this glorious Ex-
pedition which promises so many Advantages to themselves,
and secures to them the favour of their Prince, and the Esteem
and Affection of all his Majestys Loyal Subjects. And I do
hereby desire and exhort all who encline to engage in the
present Expedition, to repair to me at Annapolis, without Loss
of Time to inlist themselves in his Majestys Service, assuring
them that they shall have all due Encouragement; And that
I shall be ready to appoint such Officers as I am authorized,
for the Command of the Companies to be raised within this
Province, as are known to be Men of Interest in their Country,
well affected to his Majestys Service, and able to compleat
their Companies. And I do hereby strictly charge and re-
quire the several Sheriffs of this Province to publish this my
Proclamation, by reading the same at all Churches and Chap-
pels in their several and respective Counties immediately after
Divine Service, and before the People shall be dispersed on
the next Lords Day after the same Proclamation shall come to