formed and provided for And I do hereby strictly enjoyn and Lib. C. B. require all Persons who have enlisted themselves in the Service afd to obey such Order or Orders as they shall receive from the person who enlisted them for repairing as aforesaid to the said City of Annapolis as they will answer their disobedience at their Peril Given at the City of Annapolis this 26th Day of July in the 26th year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740.

At a Council held at the House of his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor in the City of Annapolis on Tuesday the 12th day of August in the 26th year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740

Present

His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esqr Governor

The honourable { Benjamin Tasker Esq^r Edmund Jenings Esq^r Col Charles Hammond

The following Proclamation being prepared is read and p. 104 approved of and Ordered to issue

Maryland ss.

By His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

A Proclamation

Whereas I have been credibly informed that several evil disposed Persons in View of obstructing his Majestys Service have insinuated that such as have enlisted themselves in the Troops to go to the West Indies may without danger desert, and that there is no Law to punish them I have therefore thought fit with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State to issue this my Proclamation in order to undeceive any that may have been deluded by such false Insinuations, to prevent Others from falling into the Danger which they may be subject to for Desertion, and to remove all Pretence of Ignorance, to notify that the Parts of the Act of Parliament for punishing Mutiny and Desertion &c which subject Deserters, and such Officers or Soldiers as shall correspond with his Majestys Enemies to the Pains of Death, expressly extend to all his Majestys Dominions, And that all who shall be legally convict of any of the said Offences, and Every Person who shall excite encourage or perswade any Person, who hath enlisted