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the Full Value of Such Arms and also the further Sum of Twenty Pounds Current Money And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That no Arms whatsoever which shall be used by any Officer or private person of the Militia as the Proper Arms of Such Officer or private Person Shall be liable to the Satisfaction of any Debt whatsoever or be Seized or taken by or upon any manner of Distress writ of Execution or any Process whatsoever (except that of Attachment upon the Actual running away or absconding of Such Officer or private Person who shall find his Arms at his own proper Cost and Expence) and every Distress Seisure Execution or Process (except as aforesaid) made or Served upon Such Arms Shall be deemed to be void and the Person Serving or Executing the Same liable to the Suit of the Party Aggrieved wherein treble Damages and Costs shall be recovered and moreover Such Arms shall be Seized by the Order of the Commanding Officer of the Person to whom such Arms Shall belong for the Use of the Owner or Proprietier thereof.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that it Shall and may be lawful for the Colonel or Commanding Officer aforesaid upon Notice or Information that any Person who shall receive Arms upon his Receipt only without paying or Securing to be paid as aforesaid the first Cost thereof hath Sold or otherwise disposed thereof to Seise or Order Such Arms to be Seised whether in or out of the County and the Person who shall receive Such Arms upon Such Sale or Disposition Shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money and the Person Selling or disposing thereof shall forfeit and pay the like Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money.

p. 303 And be it also Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if any Person to whom Arms Shall be delivered as aforesaid on his Receipt only without his paying or Securing to be paid the first Cost thereof as aforesaid Shall abscond and carry away his Said Arms Such Person shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Pounds Current Money. And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that all and every the Officers and private Men (being inlisted as aforesaid) of the Militia of this Province Shall form into Regiments Troops or Companys as the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being shall order and appoint under the Penalty of Forty Shillings Current Money upon each Person who shall refuse or Neglect to do the Same in pursuance of Such Order or Appointment and the same Penalty for every Thirty days Neglect thereafter. Provided always that the Troops of Horse in Each County Shall not exceed the Number of two or consist of more than thirty Six Troopers each (excluding Officers) And that no person shall be compellable to enter into any Troop of Horse who hath not a visible Estate of Five hundred Pounds Current Money to be adjudged in Case of Dispute by a Majority of the ffield Officers of the County.