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of the Next adjacent Counties And the Officers aforesaid Shall in the mean time keep the Militia under their Command under Arms and every Commanding Officer of a County upon any Alarm or receiving Intelligence of any Invasion Rebellion or Insurrection Shall forthwith Dispatch an Express to the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being with a full Account thereof and shall therewith Signify how and in what manner he intend to Act or proceed and the Commanding Officer of every County with the Consent and Approbation of the Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being hath hereby full Power and Authority in the Time of actual Invasion Insurrection or Rebellion to impress Boats and Hands Horses Arms and Ammunition as the Service may require and shall draw together the Militia of the County and March them in Such place and places within this Province, as he Shall judge most Convenient for opposing the Enemy, or quelling or Suppressing any Rebellion, or Insurrection, and to Such Place and Places, within this Province, as shall be appointed or directed by the Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being And, every Field Officer who shall wilfully Neglect or refuse to perform his Duty herein required in the Time of Actual Invasion, Insurrection, or Rebellion, Shall forfeit the Sum of Two hundred pounds Current Money; and every Captain and other Commissioned Officer, for his neglect or Refusal to perform his Duty at such Time as aforesaid, Shall forfeit the Sum of One Hundred pounds Current Money, and every non-commissioned Officer and private Man of the Militia for his Neglect or Refusal to perform his Duty at such time as aforesaid, Shall forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the respective Captains, and in Default of them, the Next Commanding Officers of the several and respective Companies, within the Counties nearest to any Place invaded, or where any Rebellion or Insurrection Shall happen, shall call together and Assemble their Companies, and forthwith March them, and Use their utmost Endeavours to oppose and drive off the Enemy, or quell or Suppress Such Rebellion, or Insurrection, If they Shall judge their Force to be Sufficient for that Purpose; nevertheless, the Said Captains or Commanding Officers, as aforesaid, Shall dispatch Such Express as aforesaid.

And Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That within Twenty Days after the Publication of this Act, every Master or Owner of every Indian, Negro Mullatto or other Slave, above the Age of Sixteen Years shall deliver or cause to be delivered, to the Captains of the Companies in the respective Distrects wherein they Shall reside, a true List of all Such Slaves belonging to them, on pain of forfeiting the Sum of Twenty Shillings Current Money for Neglect thereof; from which List every Captain shall make three compleat