cannot go on this occasion, then the full number to be made up by such volunteers as may offer for this particular service.

That each private be allowed for his subsistence on his march, one sixth part of a dollar per day, and the officers in proportion.

That Yelverton Payton Probart be appointed commissary to provide subsistence for the said companies whilst on their station, and that seven hundred pounds common money be paid into his hands by the treasurer of the eastern shore to be applied for that purpose, he giving bond, payable to the president, in the penalty of twelve hundred pounds current money, conditioned for the faithful expenditure of the same, and rendering an account and payment of the balance, if any, thereof.

That the committee of observation for Kent county, furnish such of the public arms in their possession as may be necessary to arm such men of the said minute companies as have not good arms of their own, and if there shall not be sufficient of the public arms in the possession of the said committee, then it is earnestly recommended to the committees of observation for the said counties of Dorchester, Queen Anne's, and Kent, and of the adjacent counties, to borrow such arms from the inhabitants of the said counties as may be necessary to arm the said companies; which arms so borrowed, shall be valued, and a receipt passed therefor, to the end that the owners may be paid for the same by this province, in case the said arms be not returned in good order; and it is recommended to the said inhabitants, to lend such spare arms, as they have, and may be necessary for the service aforesaid.

That the said companies be relieved at the end of eight weeks at furthest from their arrival at their station, and be entitled to the

same pay and rations as troops in the continental army.

That one hundred pounds be advanced to the captain of each of the said companies, out of the treasury on the eastern shore, to be applied to defray the necessary expenses of the march of their companies, and that exact accounts be rendered of the expenditure of all monies by the captains and commissary.

That the said commissary for his trouble be entitled to the pay

of forty dollars per calendar month.

On motion, Resolved, That the captains of the independent companies, or other officers commanding such independent companies or any part thereof, respectively do, as occasions may require, apply to some adjacent surgeon or physician, to attend any sick or wounded soldier under his command; and that such surgeon's or physician's reasonable account for such attendance and for medicines found and administered by him, be allowed and paid by the public.