

sed upon the said city, town, and counties, to which the same are respectively advanced, above the proportion of the said city, town and counties, in the general tax.

That such bedding, and covering and fuel, as the council of safety shall judge fit and proper, be provided for the said troops at the provincial expense.

That proper tents and camp utensils be provided by the council of safety for the said troops at the expense of this province, the said tents to be used as soon as the season will permit.

Mr. Johnson brings in and delivers to Mr. President a report from the committee appointed to report rules and regulations for the government of the forces to be raised in this province, which was read and considered, and agreed to as follows :

*Rules for regulating and governing the forces to be raised and employed in the service of the province of Maryland.*

FOR THE LAND FORCES.

ARTICLE I. It is earnestly recommended to all officers and soldiers to attend divine service when their situation will permit, and all officers and soldiers who shall behave irreverently at any place of divine worship, shall, if commissioned officers, be brought before a court martial, there to be publicly and severely reprimanded by the president ; if a non-commissioned officer or soldier shall so offend, he shall, for the first offence, forfeit one day's pay, and for the second and every after offence, he shall not only forfeit the like sum, but be confined for any time not exceeding twenty-four hours.

2. Whatever commissioned or non-commissioned officer or soldier shall use any profane oath or execration, shall incur the penalties expressed in the preceding article. And whatsoever commissioned or non-commissioned officer or soldier shall practice any species of gaming, shall pay such fine, or suffer such punishment, as may be adjudged.

3. Any officer or soldier who shall behave himself with contempt or disrespect towards the colonel or other chief officer of the land forces in the pay of this province, or shall speak false words, tending to his hurt or dishonor, shall be punished according to the nature and degree of his offence.

4. Any officer or soldier who shall utter any words tending to raise a mutiny, or shall endeavour to cause any mutiny or make any mutinous assemblages, shall be punished according to the nature and degree of his offence.

5. Any officer or soldier who shall excite, cause, or join in any actual mutiny, in the battalion, or in any company in the pay of this province, or in any party, post, detachment, or guard, shall suffer death, or such other punishment as may be adjudged.