

any wife notwithstanding,

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And for the more and better encouragement of such Soldiers as shall in the time of war venture in the Service of this Country and defence thereof against any Indians Bee it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That the good Booty Prize Pillage and Plunder or any Indian Goods or taken Prisoners shall by the Commander be equally distributed & divided amongst the Soldiers by a division & distribution to be made by the poll

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And for the Encouragement of such Soldiers as shall adventure their lives in the Service and defence of this Province and for a provision of some Reasonable pension to be for the future allowed on such Soldiers as shall happen to be maimed and Rendered Incapable to gett a Livelihood for themselves & families Bee it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid That every person that shall adventure as a Soldier in any war in defence of this Province and shall therein happen to be maimed or Receive hurt soe as he thereby be rendered Incapable of getting a Livelihood as aforesaid shall according to his disability receive a yearly pension to be raysoed out of the Publick Treasury of this Province for the time of such his disability & every person slain in the Service of this Province & leaving behind him a wife and Children such wife and Children shall also be allowed a competent pension the wife during her widowhood and the Children till they be of yeares able to gett their Livings or be putt out apprentices And that this pension shall be yearly Rated and allowed out of the Publick Treasury as aforesaid by a generall assembly the party petitioning for such pension and allowed procuring a Certificate from the Justices of the County Court where he shod or they lived that he she or they are Objects of Charity & deserve to have such pension and allowance Provide that this Act nor any thing therein contained shall repeale nor be construed to Repeale the perpetual Law of this Province Entituled An Act for the Encouragement of such as shall adventure in the Countreys Service Provide alsoe that this Act nor any thing therein contained shall not be construed or meant to discharge the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary his heirs and Successors from paying for Armes & Amunition or other Publick Charge of this Province soe farre forth as the moiety of the two shillings & hoggshead extonds according to an act of Assembly Entituled an act of gratitude to his Excellency Charles Calvert Esq^r Capⁿ Generall of Maryland made att an assembly hold att the City of St. Marys the 13th day of April An^o 1674.

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And to the end and intent that this his Lordships Province & the Inhabitants thereof may be the better secured and defended Your Lordships most humble servants the members of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly doe humbly pray That it may be Enacted & be it further Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary by and with the advice and Consent of the upper & lower houses of this present Generall Assembly That