

Service of this Province leaving behind him a Wife & children shall also be allowed a competent pension to the Wife during her Widowhood and the children till they be of years able to get their living or be put out apprentices & that this pension be yearly paid & allow'd out of the fifty thousand pounds of tobacco *per annum* to be rais'd by the Governour of this Province for the time being or the Council as in this Act is here after provided in the intervals of Assemblys the party petitioning for such pensions & allowances procuring a certificate from the County Court where he she or they live that he she or they are objects of charity and deserve to have such pension & allowance.

And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid that if upon any foreign Invasion any person or persons whatsoever ( except before excepted ) that shall be prest or be an enlisted Soldier within this Province shall upon the comand of his Officer being a Captain at the least obstinately refuse to appear and serve in Arms for the necessary defence of this Province such person or persons so obstinately refusing to appear & serve in arms as aforesaid shall upon certificate thereof under such Officers hand as aforesaid to the next Justice of the Peace of the County where such party liveth be proceeded against in manner following ( that is to say ) the same Justice of Peace to whom such certificate as aforesaid shall be made shall immediatly issue out a Warrant to the Constable of the Hundred where such party liveth to apprehend him and bring him before himself or some other Justice of the Peace of the same County there to render a sufficient excuse if any he hath for such his refusal or non appearance as aforesaid and if the Justice of Peace shall not find the excuse of such party in such case to be reasonable & sufficient then he shall immediatly commit such person to the custody of the Sherif of such County there to remain until he shall find surety to appear at the next Provincial Court to be held for this Province there to be proceeded against according to due course of Law and if thereupon he shall be convict of such obstinate refusal or disobedience as aforesaid he shall be fined & imprisoned according to the directions of the Justices of the Provincial Court. And for the prevention of the great charges of Annual Assemblys who may meet for no other occasion but to lay the publick Levy in time of peace,

Be it Enacted by the authority aforesaid that the Governour & Council during the intervals of Assemblys for the defraying & payment of the small charges of this Province be and are hereby impowered to assess the same equally to be levyed upon all the inhabitants of this Province for the defraying the said small charges in time of peace as aforesaid, any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided always, and it is the true intent and meaning of this Act the said sums for the small charges of this Province so to be assess'd by the Governour & Council upon the inhabitants of this Province as aforesaid exceed not in any one year the sum of fifty thousand pounds of tobacco & the disbursements of the said tobacco to be accounted for at the next General Assembly after the raising & disbursing the said tobacco as aforesaid.

And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid that all Soldiers hereafter to be employed in any publick service within this Province be paid in the respective Countys where the said Soldiers live. This Act to endure for three Years and to the end of the next Sessions of Assembly after the end of the said three Years.

*An Act for payment of Fees due from criminal persons.*

**B**E it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by & with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Council & Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same, that from henceforth no Sherif Goaler Clerk Cryer or other Officer shall charge either their own County to which they belong or the publick with any Fees for any Criminal committed to the charge of the said Sherif or Goaler having sufficient Estate in this Province wherewith to pay the same or being capable to pay the same by servitude but that such Criminals being discharged by Order & due course of Law shall pay their own Fees to Sherif Goaler Clerk & Cryer and other Officers being such as they may demand according to Law either out of his Estate or by servitude or otherwise.

Provided always that this Act shall not extend to Malefactors that are executed or to such other persons who are banished having no Estate in this Province or to servants criminals for whom the County shall pay such Fees as are due by the Acts of Assembly to the Sherif Goaler Clerk Cryer or other Officers of such Court where such criminal shall be convicted.

And

Be it further Enacted that all Officers Fees due by Law from criminal servants shall be paid by the County where the fact shall be committed and that all & every such criminal servants for whom the County shall pay the Fees due by Law to such Officers as aforesaid shall after the End and Expiration of his time of servitude to his Master satisfy & pay unto the Commissioners of the County who paid such his Fees for him to the Sherif and other Officers as aforesaid for the use of the County such sums as they have