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MILITIA.

1. Every Colonel, Lieut. Colonel, Major, or Captain of Horse or Foot, commissioned by the Governor, shall have Power to enlist such and so many Inhabitants of this Province, (not hereafter excepted) in their several Divisions, between Sixteen and Sixty Years of Age, as they shall think fit, by as equal Proportions of the said Inhabitants as they possibly can, to be of the Militia or Trained Bands of this Province: Whom they shall Muster and Train at such Times and Places as they shall think fit, and as the Service, &c. of the Province shall require; or, as the Governor, &c. shall see Cause to Order. 1715, *ch. 43*, §. 1.
2. Ministers, Delegates, Magistrates and Constables, are exempted (during their Office) from serving in the Militia. But such Exemption shall not extend to discharge such as have accepted any Military Commission from the Duties therein mentioned. *Ibid.* §. 5 and 6.
3. All Negroes and Slaves are exempted from Training or other Military Service. *Ibid.* §. 7.
4. No Servants shall be enlisted in the Militia, unless upon such Emergency as shall be judged proper by the Field Officers of the County. 1733, *ch. 7*, §. 11.
5. No Member of his Lordship's Council, and of the Upper House of Assembly, shall be obliged to serve in the Militia. *Ibid.* §. 15.
6. The Pay of the Militia, per Calendar Month, when on actual Service, and no longer, shall be as followeth; *viz.*

FOOT.		HORSE.	
	£ Tob.		£ Tob.
Majr Genl. Chief	} 3000	Colonel, - - -	2300
Commander in the Field, - - -		Lieut. Colonel, - - -	1800
Colonel, - - -	2000	Major, - - -	1500
Lieut. Colonel, - - -	1500	Captain, - - -	1300
Major, - - -	1200	Lieutenant, - - -	1000
Captain, - - -	1000	Cornet, - - -	900
Lieutenant, - - -	700	Qr. Master, Corporal and Trumpeter, each, - - -	} 700
Ensign, - - -	600	Private Trooper, - - -	
Serjeant, Corporal, and Drummer, each, - - -	} 400	<i>Ibid.</i> §. 9.	
Private Soldier, - - -		300	

7. Whenever it shall appear necessary to the Governor and Council to raise Forces for suppressing any Foreign Invasion, or Domestic Insurrection or Rebellion, or any War with *Indians*, all necessary Charges of such War, and Soldiers Pay, as aforesaid, shall be paid by a Public Levy on the Taxables of this Province, by their Representatives in General Assembly, or out of the Public Treasure, and no otherwise. *Ibid.* §. 10.
8. All Soldiers employed in the Public Service shall be paid in their own Counties. *Ibid.* §. 19.
9. The Booty, Prize, Pillage, or Plunder of any *Indian*, or other Prisoner in War, shall belong to the Officer or Soldier who shall seize the same. *Ibid.* §. 14.
10. Every Person adventuring his Life as a Soldier in any War, or Defence of the Province, and happening therein to be maimed, hurt, &c. shall receive a yearly Pension out of the Public Levy, during his Disability of getting a Livelihood. *Ibid.* §. 15.
11. The Widow of every Person slain in the Provincial Service, shall be allowed a competent Pension, during her Widowhood; and the Children till they be of Age to get their Living, or to be put out Apprentices: To be yearly paid out of the 50,000£ Tobacco to be raised as in this Act is provided. *Ibid.* See *Small Provincial Charges*.

MILITIA.

12. Any Person (except as before excepted, *Art. 3*, 4, 5,) pressed or enlisted in this Province, who, upon any Foreign Invasion, shall (upon Command of his Officer, being a Captain at the least) obstinately refuse to serve in Arms for the Defence of the Province, shall, on Certificate of such Refusal, under such Officer's Hand, directed to the next Justice, be brought by Warrant of such Justice, before some Magistrate of the County, there to render sufficient Excuse for such Refusal. And, if the Magistrate shall not find such Excuse reasonable, he shall Commit such Person till he finds sufficient Security for his Appearance at the next Provincial Court; and, if convicted there, he shall be fined and imprisoned at the Discretion of that Court. *Ibid.* §. 16.
13. Any Colonel, Lieut. Colonel, or Major, Commissioned by the Governor, &c. or any Two or more of them, shall have the same Powers in the Execution of any Militia Laws, as the Colonel, &c. intended by those Laws: Provided the Number of such acting Officers be the same as directed by those Laws for such Purpose. 1733, *ch. 7*, §. 2.
 See *Independent Companies. Musters. Pres-Masters. Public Arms. Troopers.*
- MILL-DAMS. See *Water Mills*, 6, 7.
- MILLERS. See *Water Mills*, 5.
- MILLS. See *Water Mills*, per Tot.

MINISTERS.

1. For the Encouragement of Faithful and Able Ministers to come and reside in the Province, a Tax of 40£ Tobacco, per Poll, (*but see below*, *Art. 9*.) shall annually be levied on every Taxable Person in each Parish, and paid to the Minister (having no other Benefice to officiate in) presented, inducted, or appointed by the Governor or Commander in Chief. 1702, *ch. 1*, §. 3.
2. The Minister shall keep a Parish Clerk, and pay such Clerk 1000£ Tobacco yearly. *Ibid.*
3. The Sheriff shall collect the 40 per Poll, in the same Manner, and by the same Authority as the Public and County Levies are collected; and shall pay the same to the Incumbent of each Parish. *Ibid.* §. 6. And shall have 5 per Cent for collecting. 1715, *ch. 24*, §. 4. See *below*, *Art. 9*.
4. No Minister shall hold more than Two Parishes; nor Two, unless by Consent and Agreement of both Vestries, and Appointment of the Ordinary. 1702, *ch. 1*, §. 16.
5. The Minister of any Parish, (in the first Year of his Admission) shall be allowed only such Part of the 40 per Poll, as shall be due from the Day of his Induction to the Time of laying the next County Levy. 1713, *ch. 10*, §. 4.
6. On Removal, or Death, the Incumbent shall have such Part of the 40 per Poll as shall be due, from the last Levy, to the Day of such Removal or Death. *Ibid.*
7. If such Incumbent Die, or be Removed within the First Year, then he shall be entitled to such Part of the 40 per Poll, as shall be due from the Day of his Admission to the Day of such Death or Removal. *Ibid.*
8. Every Minister in this Province shall read the Act to punish Blasphemers, Cursers, &c. Four Times a Year; *viz.* On some Sunday in *March, June, September* and *December*, in their respective Parish Churches, between Divine Service and Sermon, on Forfeiture of 1000£ Tobacco for every Omission: One Half to the Use of the County, the other Half to the Person suing for the same. All Prosecutions for not Reading this Act shall be commenced within Six Months after such Omission. 1723, *ch. 16*, §. 12 and 13.
9. Instead of the 40 per Poll allowed the Clergy, (*see Art. 1*.) there shall be Levied no more than 30 per Poll on the Taxable Inhabitants of their respective Parishes; which shall be Paid in Inspectors Notes, &c. and