

the first Monday in October next, and to the intent that all Persons concerned may have due Notice thereof I do hereby strictly charge and require the several Sheriffs of this Province to make this my Proclamation publick in their respective Counties in the usual manner, as they will answer the contrary at their peril. Given at the City of Annapolis this 25th day of August in the sixth year of his Lordships Dominion Amogues Dominion 1756.

Wm. C. C.

To all Officers as well Civil as Military, in and of the Province of Maryland and particularly those of Frederick and Baltimore Counties.

It having been signified to me by one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State that our most gracious Sovereign for the better Defence of these his American Dominions has been pleased to grant Commissions to a certain Number of English, German, Swiss, and Dutch Officers to raise a Regiment in these Colonies for the Royal American Regiment commanded by the Right Honourable the Earl of Loudoun, I have thought proper to give you, and all the Inhabitants of this Province Notice thereof, and I do hereby require you, and recommend it to all Persons within this Government to promote his Majesty's Service, and to contribute as much as is in your Power towards completing the aforesaid Regiment by countenancing and encouraging the recruiting Parties that may be sent into this Province, and at the same time not doubting but that without this Order you would unanimously endeavour to answer his Majesty's Expectations and demonstrate your Loyalty on this important Occasion.

Given at Fort Frederick
the 16th of July 1756.

I am enjoined by my Instructions upon any Difficulty that arises in the recruiting Service to make my Application to the Governour of the Province or Colony where I happen to be.

I have met with Opposition from some people in these quarters which I apprehend to be a just Matter of Complaint, and I doubt not the persons concerned will be severally reprobated by your Excellency.

My recruiting Sergeant sometime in July last, was attacked by Mr. Cha. Tidgley and a Number of others his Accomplices, and had my Recruits taken from him by force and Arms, who had each received his Majesty's Bounty on pretence that these Recruits were indentured Servants which turns out