

An Act for regulating the Rates of Carriage, and Quartering Soldiers in Public Houses, within this Province, for his Majesty's Service.

I. **W**HEREAS his Majesty's Service, upon the present Invasion of the *British* Dominions on this Continent, may require the Carriage of Provisions, and other Military Stores and Conveniencies, for the Support and Use of his Majesty's Forces marching through or within this Province, and the Quartering of Soldiers therein: In order, therefore, to prevent any Imposition from Carriers, or Owners of Carriages, and Public-House-Keepers, and to prevent any Disputes that may arise between any of his Majesty's Forces, and any the Inhabitants of this Province, it is humbly prayed that it may be Enacted, Preamble.

II. *AND* be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That when his Majesty's military Service, upon the present Expedition, may require the carrying of Guns, Shot, Powder, Arms, Lead, Cloathing, or any other military Stores, or Accoutrements, or Provisions of any Kind, for his Majesty's Forces, there shall be paid the following Rates of Carriage to the Owner or Owners of all such Carriages as shall be employed in his Majesty's Service on the Expedition aforesaid, while they shall continue in the said Province, *viz.* for the Hire of every Cart, carrying a Load not exceeding Fifteen Hundred Pounds Weight, the Sum of Twelve Pence Current Money *per* Mile; and for the Hire of every Waggon, carrying a Load not exceeding Two Thousand Pounds Weight, the Sum of Sixteen Pence Current Money *per* Mile. And to prevent any Abuses or Impositions by Public-House-Keepers, in whose Houses any Officers or Soldiers may be quartered or billeted, Rates of Carriages employ'd in his Majesty's Service.

III. *BE* it Enacted by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That no Public-House-Keeper shall charge to, or receive from, any Officer, or private Soldier, quartered or billeted in his or her House, as aforesaid, more than the following Rates, *viz.* to a Commission Officer, under the Degree of a Captain, for his Diet of such good and wholesome Food as is usually provided by Ordinary-Keepers in this Province, with Small-Beer or Cyder, the Sum of Eighteen Pence Current Money *per Diem*, and Lodging; and to a private Soldier for his Diet, as aforesaid, with Small-Beer, the Sum of Twelve Pence Current Money *per Diem*, and Lodging. Dieting of Officers and Soldiers at Public Houses.

IV. **THIS** Act to continue for six Months from the Commencement thereof, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly, which shall happen after the Expiration of the said six Months. Continuance.

An Act to prevent the People of this Province from supplying the *French*, or their *Indian* Allies, with Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions, of any Kind.

I. **W**HEREAS it is represented to this General Assembly, that divers Persons do supply the *French*, and their Allies, with Provisions by Land and Water, by which Means they are the better enabled Preamble.