

recruiting officer, or his legal representative, within three years from the first day of February next, who shall enlist and deliver twenty able bodied effective recruits, on or before the twentieth day of January next, and also a bounty of fifty acres of land, to be procured as aforesaid, to every recruiting officer who shall enlist and deliver twenty able bodied effective recruits on or before the first day of March next.

XVI. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council are hereby empowered to draw on the sheriffs of the several counties, or any of them, for any sums of money collected in virtue of the laws relating to the assessment of property within this state, that may be necessary to carry into execution this law, as far as it relates to the recruiting service.

Governor and council to draw on the sheriffs, &c.

XVII. And be it enacted, That the governor and the council shall have full power and authority to contract with any king, prince, or state, or any private person whatever, or their agents, for the purchase and importation of arms, cloathing, military stores, and other necessaries, upon such terms and in such manner as the general assembly shall from time to time prescribe and direct.

They may contract with any king &c.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the recruits aforesaid shall be carried by the recruiting officers respectively before the lieutenant of the county in which such recruits are raised, to pass muster, and no part of the bounty aforesaid shall be drawn by any recruiting officer for any recruit not passed by such lieutenant.

Recruits to pass muster before the lieutenant.

C H A P. IX.

A supplementary ACT to an act, entitled, An act to establish orphans courts in the several counties of this state.

WHEREAS, by the said act, not less than three of the justices of the said courts can call and adjourn the same, on the several days of meeting in the said act specified; and as the extremity of weather, and other casualties, have prevented, and may frequently prevent, that number of justices from attending on the said days of meeting, by means whereof the business of said courts hath been and may be much impeded: For remedy whereof,

Preamble.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for any one or two of the justices of the said orphans court who may or shall hereafter attend on any of the respective days established by the said act for holding the said orphans court, or on any day to which such court shall have been regularly adjourned, to call and adjourn the same from time to time, until three or more of the said justices shall attend, who may proceed to the business of the said court, according to the directions of the said act.

One justice may adjourn the court.

III. And, Whereas the said court hath not any power or authority, by the said act, to compel any person or persons concerned in testamentary affairs, or any witnesses, whose residence is in any other county of this state, to appear before them, and for the want of such power and authority