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of four per cent. for receiving, to such treasurer, under the penalty of paying twenty per cent. interest for every neglect or refusal; and every master or commander of such vessel shall, at the time of such entry, be obliged to discover, on oath, the tonnage of his vessel, or such vessel shall not be entered by the several naval officers, and the bonds given by the naval officers shall be liable for the due performance of their duty according to the directions of this act.

How the money collected is to be applied.

LX. And be it enacted, That out of the money to be collected in virtue of this act, so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied to the payment of interest for money borrowed by this state, and the residue thereof shall be applied to the discharging the necessary expences of this state, and also to defray the expence of recruiting our quota of troops in the American army, and furnishing them with provisions and cloathing, or in such other manner as the general assembly may hereafter direct.

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An ACT for recruiting the quota of troops of this state in the American army.

Preamble.

WHEREAS an enlistment of volunteers on bounty is the most eligible mode to furnish fourteen hundred men for recruiting our quota of the American army;

Proportion of troops to be raised in each county.

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the said fourteen hundred men be apportioned amongst the several counties, according to the number of militia in each county, in manner following, viz. Saint Mary's county, seventy-two; Kent county, sixty-two; Anne-Arundel, ninety-six; Calvert, thirty-eight; Charles, sixty; Somerset, sixty-eight; Dorchester, eighty-two; Baltimore, one hundred and forty-six; Cæcil, sixty-six; Queen-Anne's, eighty; Talbot, fifty; Frederick, one hundred and sixty; Worcester, seventy-two; Prince-George's, sixty-six; Harford, eighty-four; Caroline, fifty-six; Washington, sixty-two; Montgomery, eighty.

Cloaths, &c. allowed to each recruit.

III. And be it enacted, That every person who shall enlist, on or before the first day of April next, to serve in some one of the regiments belonging to this state, for three years or during the war, shall be entitled to receive from this state, over and beyond the bounty heretofore allowed by congress, two hundred and fifty dollars, and a compleat suit of cloaths, to wit: A coat, waistcoat, and breeches, one shirt, one hat, one pair of shoes, a pair of stockings, and a pair of overalls, and a bounty of fifty acres of land to be granted each recruit at the expiration of three years; and each recruit and his property in this state shall be exempt from all taxes during his continuance in service, and for four years after he shall be regularly discharged.

Recruits to chuse their regiments, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That every recruit, at the time of his enlistment, shall have his choice of the regiment or company in which he will serve, provided such regiment or company be not full, and if full, he may chuse any other regiment or company not being full, which shall be entered against his name, and returned to the officer appointed to receive such recruit.

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