

appropriated to procure recruits, and be paid to major-general Smallwood for that purpose, who is requested from time to time to inform the commissioners to preserve confiscated British property of his demand for money, and they will sell on such information.

VII. And be it enacted, That there be allowed to every officer, for each recruit, the sum of three pounds, exclusive of the subsistence from the United States. Allowance to recruiting officers.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the governor and council be requested to apply to and procure from congress, supplies of cloathing, tents, camp equipage, and utensils, and all other necessary equipments (usually allowed and issued to the army) for the recruits; and the governor and council are authorized and requested to purchase immediately cloathing for the disabled soldiers of the line of this state, now languishing within the state, or who may hereafter return from the army; and to provide and lay up provisions, at such places or posts as general Smallwood may advise; and to obtain proper barracks, and all other necessaries and supplies allowed by congress for privates in their service; and proper quarters, full rations of provisions and liquors, camp equipage and utensils, and other necessaries, for the officers employed in disciplining the recruits, at such stations as may be pointed out by the commanding officer in this state; and also quarters and full rations, or in lieu the value thereof, for officers employed on the recruiting service, and forage for one horse, to each of those who are obliged to prosecute this duty on horseback; and the governor and council, to execute the above duties, may apply some of the specifics, as far as other services will admit; or they may direct the commissioners to sell some confiscated British property not heretofore appropriated; and that the intendant of the revenue supply money to furnish the table of major-general Smallwood. Governor and council to procure cloathing, &c.

IX. And be it enacted, That the third payment of property sold agreeable to the act to raise recruits, when received by the treasurer of the western shore, shall be paid by him, as received, to general Smallwood. Third payment to be to gen Smallwood.

X. And be it enacted, That any person, who shall take up and deliver to the lieutenant of any county an able bodied deserter from the quota of the troops of this state in the continental service, shall, if such deserter is bound to serve for the war, receive the sum of five pounds twelve shillings and six-pence current money, and no more; if such deserter is bound to serve for three years, the sum of four pounds ten shillings, and no more, like money, and in proportion for a less time unexpired; and such lieutenant shall have full power and authority to commit any such deserter to the common gaol, there to remain until taken out by such person as the commanding officer within this state shall appoint to receive deserters; or the said lieutenant may deliver him to such person appointed as aforesaid to receive deserters, and the said reward shall be paid by the intendant of the revenue. Reward for taking up deserters, &c.

XI. And, For the discovery of deserters, and the punishment of those who entertain, harbour, or conceal them, Be it enacted, That if, after the passing this act, any free male person shall entertain, harbour, Punishment for harbouring them, &c.