

The Commissioners of the Loan-Office are directed by the Bill, to sign, number and date, Ten Thousand Pounds of the Blank Bills now in the Office, the highest Denomination whereof is Twenty Shillings, they are to superintend the Printer whilst he shall print; strike and stamp, new Bills of Credit to the Amount of Twenty-five Thousand Pounds, of the several Denominations following, *viz.* Ten Thousand Bills of Twenty Shillings, Ten Thousand Bills of Fifteen Shillings, Ten Thousand Bills of Ten Shillings, Ten Thousand Bills of Five Shillings, each, and use their utmost Care and Diligence that these Bills, according to their respective Denominations, be forthwith Printed and made ready for Emission, and that the Number thereof be not exceeded, or any clandestine or fraudulent Practice used by the Printer, his Servants, or Others, concerned therein; they are to receive the Stamps and Flowers, after the Money shall be struck and stamped, into their Office, and safely keep them there, under the Penalty of Five Hundred Pounds; they are to sign, number and date, the Twenty-five Thousand Pounds of the new Emission; they are constituted Receivers-General of the whole Sum intended to be raised by the Bill, and consequently must keep separate Accounts with all the Collectors in the Province; they are to issue and pay out the Money to the Agents and Persons appointed to receive it, and consequently must also keep separate Accounts with them; they are each of them to enter into Bond with sufficient Sureties, in the Penalty of Three Thousand Pounds Sterling, conditioned for the faithful Observance and Discharge of the Trust reposed in them, and to take an Oath correspondent to the Condition of their Bonds; they are to keep distinct and separate Accounts, as well of the Bills of Credit which they shall sign, emit and issue, as of the Money and Bills of Credit which they shall receive and pay, pursuant to the Directions of the Bill, and of all other their Proceedings in Consequence thereof, and always be in Readiness to lay their Accounts and Proceedings before a Committee of both Houses for Inspection; they are to take in all torn and defaced Bills made current by the Bill, upon Application, and deliver out other Bills to the Persons applying; they are directed to attend Two Days in the Week, Winter and Summer, at their Office (the usual Holidays of Christmas excepted) from the Hour of Nine till Twelve in the Forenoon, and from the Hour of Two till Five in the Afternoon, during the Continuance of the Bill, which at least would be for Two Years. These Things are required of them, and they are each of them to receive the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money, and no more. These are the Services required from, and this the Reward given by this Bill to those Officers who have been appointed by the Government. The Two Agents are Officers intended to be originally created by the Lower House of Assembly: These Gentlemen are to receive as a Reward for their Services, the Sum of Six Hundred and Seventy-three Pounds, four Shillings, which (altho' we do not think it an extravagant one) ought not to exceed Ten Pounds to each, if the Commissioners have a sufficient Reward, and the Rewards to each ought to be proportioned to their respective Services. His Lordship's Agent, who is a private Officer appointed by Lord *Baltimore* for the Management of his Revenue, and paid by his Lordship, is enjoined by the Bill, under the Penalty of Two Hundred Pounds, to make out for the Commissioners of the several Counties, Accounts, according to the best Information he has, of the whole Quantity of Acres contained in his Lordship's Manors and Reserved Lands respectively, and also particular Accounts of all and every the Parts and Parcels of the Manors and Reserved Lands, which shall be in the Tenure and Occupation of any Person or Persons, with the Names of the Tenants, Occupiers or Possessors, by the last Day of next *August*. The Words, *according to the best Information he has*, are so vague and indeterminate, that he could not be secure against Complaint, or even a Prosecution, however exact he might be, unless he should put himself to the very great Expence of surveying all the Manors and Reserved Lands in the Province, and thereby ascertain the Quantity of Acres. This Service is to be exacted by a severe Penalty, and he is to receive nothing. The Receivers of the Quit-Rents are also the private Officers of the Proprietary, and paid by him out of his Revenue: They are directed by the Bill to make out and deliver, by the 2d Day of *October* next, to the Commissioners, true and full Accounts, from their last Debt-Books, of the Names and Quantities of Acres of every Tract or Parcel of Land within their Counties, and to whom the same, to the best of their Information, belongs, or ought to be charged, making a separate Account for each Hundred, as nearly as they can judge, on Pain of forfeiting Fifty Pounds in Case of Omission: For this the Reward is Forty Shillings.

The Commissioners of the several Counties are Officers intended to be originally appointed by the Lower House, and created by the Bill; each of these Gentlemen are to receive Eight Shillings *per Diem*, during the Time they shall be employed in the Service required of them. The respective Sheriffs, who are Officers appointed by the Government, are directed to do the Duty of Collectors, and are to receive a Commission of Two *per Centum* by the Bill. Sheriffs are entitled to Six *per Centum* upon their Collection of Officers and Lawyers Fees, and we do not recollect an Instance of a less Commission than Five *per Centum* being allowed them upon any Public or County Levy: The Service directed by the Bill would be attended with as much Expence,