

able on the amount of his assessment; and, to prevent disputes to what class any recruit procured by any person so appointed shall belong, a ballot shall determine what class shall be entitled to the recruit."

In the fifth line from the bottom of same page, strike out the word "and" inclusive to the end of the clause.

In the 12th line of the 2d page, strike out the word "fifteenth" and insert "twenty-fifth;" and in the same line, after the word "in," add "any one of the battalions of this state," and strike out the words "the continental army." After the word "exempt," in the 15th line of the same page, insert "for the war;" and after the word "exempt," in the 18th line of the same page, insert "for the war." After the word "state," in the 15th line of the same page, add the following clause: "And, That wealthy men alone shall not reap the whole benefit of procuring substitutes, Be it enacted, That no two persons shall be entitled to the above privilege, unless such substitute shall be found in the following manner, to wit: Every man whose property is assessed at ten thousand pounds, shall join with some other person whose property is assessed at thirty pounds and under fifty pounds, in procuring a substitute; and every person assessed at nine thousand pounds and under ten thousand pounds, shall join with some person assessed at fifty pounds and under one hundred pounds; and every person assessed at eight thousand pounds and under nine thousand pounds, shall join some person assessed at one hundred pounds and under two hundred pounds; and every person assessed at seven thousand pounds and under eight thousand pounds, shall join some person assessed at two hundred pounds and under three hundred pounds; and every person assessed at six thousand pounds and under seven thousand pounds, shall join some person assessed at three hundred pounds and under four hundred pounds; and every person assessed at five thousand pounds and under six thousand pounds, shall join some one assessed at four hundred pounds and under five hundred pounds, and every person assessed at four thousand pounds and under five thousand pounds, shall join some one assessed at five hundred pounds and under six hundred pounds; and every person assessed at three thousand pounds and under four thousand pounds, shall join some one assessed at six hundred pounds and under seven hundred pounds; and every person assessed at two thousand pounds and under three thousand pounds, shall join some person assessed at seven hundred pounds and under eight hundred pounds; and every person assessed at one thousand pounds and under two thousand pounds, shall join some one assessed at eight hundred pounds and under nine hundred pounds. Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent two men, whose property doth not exceed one thousand pounds, from joining to procure a substitute."

In the 3d page strike out the first enacting clause. At the end of the bill insert the sheets No. (1) and No. (2).

Sheet No. 1. "And be it enacted, That every idle person above eighteen years of age, who is able bodied, and hath no fixed habitation nor family, nor any visible method of getting an honest livelihood, and who may be adjudged by the lieutenant of the county or any field officer to come properly under the above description of a vagrant, shall, from and after such adjudication, be considered as a soldier enlisted, and have it in his choice whether he will serve until the last day of December next, or enlist for three years or during the war, and receive the bounty; and all constables and recruiting sergeants are hereby empowered and required to take up such idle vagrants, and carry them before the lieutenant of the county or any field officer, and shall be allowed one hundred dollars for every able bodied person so taken up and adjudged a vagrant.

"Provided nevertheless, That the governor and council shall have full power and authority, upon complaint made, to revise the adjudication to be made as aforesaid, and to discharge any person adjudged a vagrant, if in their judgment such person does not answer the above description."

Sheet No. 2. "And be it enacted, That in case the number of men directed to be found in each county be not procured, by all or any of the means above-mentioned, on or before the first day of August next, it shall and may be lawful for the lieutenant of the county, and he is required, under the penalty of two thousand pounds in case of neglect or refusal, to call to his assistance any of the field officers, and also the commissioners of the tax, in his said county, at a day to be by him limited, not exceeding five days thereafter, who are hereby required to attend under the penalty of one thousand pounds each, and they, or the major part of them attending, shall proceed to class all the able bodied men in such classes who have not procured a recruit (except those who have heretofore found substitutes, the time of whose enlistment is not expired, or may be otherwise exempt by law) in such manner as they or the major part of them shall agree upon, into as many classes as there may at that time be men wanted to complete the proportion of such county, and shall forthwith proceed to draught the said classes so new modelled, and the person on whom the lot falls shall be considered as a soldier enlisted to serve to the end of the month of December next, unless within three days he procure an able bodied recruit, being a freeman, of any complexion, to serve in his stead for and during the said term.

"And be it enacted, That all the persons who shall be so classed, shall have their money, if any by them advanced, returned to them by the county lieutenants, and shall be exempt from any contribution