

with any of the private House-Keepers or Ordinary-Keepers, dwelling within or near and convenient to the Towns and Places aforesaid, for the finding and providing good and convenient Lodging, Firing, Candles, Vinegar, Salt, and small Beer or Cyder not exceeding Two Pints *per Diem* for each Man, and the necessary Utensils for dressing and eating their Meat, for the said Forces, at such Rate as they the said Commissioners, or any one of them, in Case of Sickneſs or other Inability in the other, can agree for, ſo that the ſaid Rate exceeds not the Sum of Six Pence for each private Soldier *per Diem*.

XLIV. *And be it further Enacted,* That in Caſe a ſufficient Number of private House-Keepers or Ordinary-Keepers, ſhall not be found at or near and convenient to the Places aforesaid, willing to contract and agree to take in, lodge and provide for, the whole Number, or any Part of the Forces, ordered to the Places aforesaid, that then and in ſuch Caſe, the Commissioners for the Places aforesaid ſhall and they are hereby required, for the Purpoſe aforesaid, to agree for, take up, and rent, any Dwelling-Houſes they ſhall find empty and not tenanted, and ſhall think proper, at or near and convenient to the Places aforesaid, and in the beſt, eaſieſt and cheapeſt Manner, purchaſe and provide, or contract for the purchaſing and providing, convenient Bedding, Firing, Candles, Vinegar, Salt, and ſmall Beer or Cyder not exceeding Two Pints *per Diem* for each Man, and the neceſſary Utensils for dressing and eating their Meat, for the whole Number of Forces ordered to the reſpective Places aforesaid, or for ſuch Part of the ſaid Number as ſhall be and remain uncontracted for with the private House-Keepers or Ordinary-Keepers, in or near and convenient to the reſpective Towns for which they ſhall be appointed and nominated Commissioners.

XLV. *And be it further Enacted.* That in Caſe the Owners or Poſſeſſors of the Dwelling-Houſes, empty and untenanted as aforesaid, ſhall reſuſe to agree with the Commissioners aforesaid, for the ſaid Houſes, or reſuſe to let the ſaid Houſes for the Purpoſe aforesaid, or demand what, by the Commissioners, or any one of them, in Caſe of Sickneſs or other Inability of the other, ſhall be thought an exorbitant or extravagant Rent, that then and in ſuch Caſe the Commissioners aforesaid are hereby required and impowered to nominate and appoint one good and ſufficient Perſon, being a Freeholder and Inhabitant of the reſpective Town, for which they are nominated and appointed to act as Commissioners aforesaid, or reſiding near thereto, and the Owner
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