ACT

At a Session of Assembly begun & held at the City of Annapolis Lib. B. L. C. the 23^d Day of April in the 26th Year of the Dominion of the Right p. 192 Honourable Charles Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c Annoq Domini 1740 And ending the fifth Day of June following

The following Law was Enacted & Assented to by his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esqr Governour

An Act for Issuing and Paying out of the Office of the Commis- [See 28 sioners or Trustees for Emitting Bills of Credit Established by Act Archives Council, pp. of Assembly the Sum of Two thousand five hundred & Sixty two 177 to 180, Pounds ten Shillings Current money in Bills of Credit to be Applyed 193 to 203] for the Encouragement of Persons Voluntarily Inlisting themselves in his Majesty's Service.

Whereas it Appears to this General Assembly by a Proclamation Published by his Excellency Samuel Ogle Esquire his Lordships Governour & Commander in Chief in & Over this Province of Maryland bearing Date at Annapolis the Eleventh Day of April in the twenty fifth Year of his Lordships Dominion & in the Year of Our Lord God One thousand Seven hundred & forty that his Majesty's Pleasure had been Signified by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle one of his Majestys Principal Secretaries of State by his Grace's letter of the fifth of January last that his Majesty having thought fitt to declare War against Spain & being determined by all Possible means to distress & annoy the Spaniards in the most Effectual manner & Particularly by making an Attempt upon some of their most considerable Settlements in the West Indies had been Pleased for that Purpose to order a Large body of Troops under the Command of the Lord Cathcart a Major Gen¹ of his Majesty's forces to come from Great Britain with a Sufficient Convoy of Men of Warr to a Proper Place in the West Indies to be Appointed for that Purpose to be Joined by a Squadron under the Command of Vice Admiral Vernon in the West Indies and by such a number of Troops as might be raised in his Majestys Colonies & Islands in America And that it had been represented to his Majesty that a very considerable number of Men might be easily had upon Proper Encouragement in the British Plantations and Particularly in his Majesty's Colonies on the Continent of America to Serve in Conjunction with the Regular Troops to be sent from home of all which his Majesty thought Proper that notice should be given in order that the necessary Dispositions might be made for facilitating as soon as Possible the raising the