

the service required: in which case, it shall be considered that the militia-man has taken his turn of duty; but the substitute shall not after the time of service is over, be exempted from being commanded, or balloted for again, in his own turn, equally with the rest of his company.

A R T I C L E VIII.

Penalty for disobedience when upon duty.

All militia-men who shall decline doing the duties required of them when serving in detachments, or shall disobey their officers while they are under their command, shall be summoned before the field officers of the detachment, who are hereby authorized to hear and adjudge the offender such punishment as the circumstances of the case may require, not extending to corporal punishment beyond imprisonment for one month.

A R T I C L E IX.

Deserters and others how to be apprehended.

The captains and other officers of militia are hereby authorized and required to apprehend all deserters, whether soldiers, militia-men, or seamen, all disorderly persons, vagabonds and persons sowing dissension or disturbing the public tranquility: and whoever shall harbour or lodge any persons of the above description, without giving immediate notice to the captain or some other officer of the company, shall for the first offence incur a penalty of five pounds and suffer one month's imprisonment; and in case of a repetition thereof, double the penalty, and double the time of imprisonment. For the future, all deserters who shall have been apprehended, as well as all disorderly persons, vagabonds and others of the above description, shall be brought from captain to captain, under the charge of an officer or serjeant, and a sufficient number of militia-men, who shall be ordered upon that duty by the respective captains, or commanding officers, before the colonel of militia or other field-officer nearest at hand, who shall deal with such offender as the law directs. The militia-men commanded for that duty, who are always to be married men, shall march with their firelocks and with at least four rounds of ammunition, and those who shall disobey or suffer any prisoner committed to their charge to escape thro' negligence, shall incur a penalty of twenty shillings; and if it shall be proved that the escape happened through design, they shall, besides incurring a penalty of five pounds, suffer imprisonment for one month.

A R T I C L E X.

Roll to be kept

The captains of militia shall keep a roll of the names of