to all such persons so appointed who shall not be so disapproved of, as aforesaid, and the Officers so appointed for the Militia, to be armed and arrayed as herein after directed, shall rank with the Officers of such of His Majesty's Forces, as may for the time being serve within this Province, as youngest of their respective Rank.

II. And be it further enacted, that when the Lieutenant of any County or Riding shall be out of the Province, or when there shall be no Lieutenant, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government of the Province, to authorize the Deputy Lieutenant of such County or Riding, to grant Commissions and do all such Acts matters and things as might lawfully have been done by the said Lieutenant, and the same shall be good and valid in law as if done by the said Lieutenant, and such commissions so granted by such Lieutenant or Deputy Lieutenant, to the Officers aforesaid, shall not be revoked or made void by the Death of the party granting the same.

III. And be it further enacted, that the Lieutenant of every County or Riding, shall have the Chief Command of the Militia within such County or Riding, and that one Deputy Lieutenant shall be appointed within each County and Riding, for the purposes of this Act.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every person so to be appointed a Deputy Lieutenant, shall be possessed of Five hundred acres of Land, within the District in which the County or Riding to which he is appointed a Deputy Lieutenant is situated to and for his own use and benefit, free and clear of and from all mortgages or other incumbrances whatsoever, & every person so to be appointed a Colonel, shall in like manner be possessed of Four hundred acres of Land within the District in which the County or Riding where he is so appointed Colonel, is situated to and for his own use and benefit, free and clear of and from all mortgages or other incumbrances whatsoever; and every Lieutenant Colonel so to be appointed in such County or Riding as aforesaid, shall be possessed of Four hundred acres of Land in like manner and form and under the condition aforesaid. And every Major and Captain, so to be appointed in such County or Riding as aforesaid, shall be possessed of Three hundred acres of Land in like manner and form under the conditions aforesaid, and every Lieutenant and Ensign so to be appointed in such County or Riding as aforesaid, shall be possessed of Two hundred acres of Land, in like manner and form and under the conditions aforesaid, which said Deputy Lieutenants Colonels, Lieutenant Colonels, Majors, Captains and other Officers respectively, shall within six months next after their several appointments take the Oath of allegiance to His present Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, before the Magistrates assembled in Quarter Session, within the limits aforesaid.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that General Meetings of the Lieutenancy of each County and Riding shall be holden at the most convenient place within such County or Riding, and such General Meetings shall consist of the Lieutenant together with the Deputy Lieutenant or one Justice of the Peace for the said District, or on the Death or removal, or in the absence of the Lieutenant thereof, the Deputy Lieutenant aforesaid and one Justice of the Peace of each County and Riding respectively. And one such General Meeting shall be holden within every County and Riding annually on the fourth day of June, or in case that day should happen to be Sunday, on the Monday following, in every Year; and the Lieutenant together with the Deputy Lieutenant, or one Justice of the Peace or (on the Death or removal or in the absence of the Lieutenant) any Deputy Lieutenant of any County or Riding together with a Justice of the Peace as aforesaid, when and so often as they shall find it necessary for carrying the purposes of this Act into execution, may Summon or cause to be Summoned other General Meetings of the Lieutenancy on any days to be fixed by such Summons giving at least one month's notice of such intended General Meeting in the most public manner that the same can be made and