

A N O R D I N A N C E

For quartering the troops upon certain occasions, in the country parishes, and providing for the conveyance of effects belonging to government.

 **E**XPERIENCE having demonstrated that, on account of the local position of this province, it is indispensably necessary, upon certain occasions, to quarter the troops at the houses of the country inhabitants; and that, for the same reason, it is impossible to convey, at all times, the ammunition, provisions, and other effects of government, to the different stores or magazines, without the assistance of the inhabitants, *It is enacted and ordained by his excellency the governor and legislative council,*

ART. I. That all house-holders, in the country parishes, who shall not be particularly exempted by this ordinance, shall be obliged to lodge troops, furnish carriages, and serve as battoe-men, whenever they shall be thereunto required by the captains of militia, in the manner herein after mentioned, that is to say,

Whenever the troops or militia are upon a march, the commanding officer of the battalion, or detachment, shall present to the captains of militia, or other senior officers of the parishes, the order he may have had on the part of the captain-general or commander in chief, and where, upon extraordinary cases, an order could not be procured, he shall make a requisition in writing, to the said captains or other senior officers; who thereupon, without loss of time, shall so billet the troops, as to facilitate their march, and in the manner the most commodious to the inhabitants. The commanding officer of the battalion or detachment, is authorized, upon the march, to require from the captains of militia two carriages for his own use, two for the field officers, and four for every fifty men; the carriages shall be re-

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