

and such Court of Enquiry shall examine witnesses, and take every necessary step to investigate the matter alleged in the complaint against the said Militia Officer, and report the evidence in that behalf bro't before them to the Governor, Lieut. Governor, or Person administering the government, for his decision thereon.

—report to the Governor, &c.

XXIX. *And be it further enabled by the authority aforesaid,* That except in time of actual service, the Judges of the Court of King's Bench and Clergy, the Members of the Legislative and Executive Councils and their respective Officers, the Members of the House of Assembly for the time being, and the Officers thereto belonging, his Majesty's Attorney General, Solicitor General, the Secretary of the Province, and all other Civil Officers, who shall have been or hereafter may be appointed to any civil office in this Province under the Great Seal of the same, as well as all Magistrates, Sheriffs, Coroners, half-pay Officers, Militia Officers, having served by virtue of any militia commission in any part of his Majesty's dominions (who may not have been removed for any offence as an Officer of Militia, or who may have obtained leave to resign his commission.) the Surveyor General and his Deputies duly appointed, Seafaring Men actually employed in the line of their calling, Physicians, Surgeons, the Masters of Schools, Ferry-men, and one Miller to every grist mill, shall be, and are hereby excused from serving in the said Militia: Provided always, That this Act and the exceptions herein contained, shall not prevent, and it is hereby declared that the same shall not be construed to prevent any and every of the abovementioned person or persons from holding commissions as Officers in the Militia in this Province: Provided always, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the government of this Province, by warrant under his hand and seal, to exempt any of the persons herein before mentioned from being called out on the service aforesaid.

Exemptions from the Militia excepting in time of actual service.

—not to prevent persons so exempted from holding Commissions as Officers of the Militia  
Governor &c. may grant exemptions from serving.

XXX. *And be it further enabled by the authority aforesaid,* That the persons called Quakers, Minonists and Tunkers, who from certain scruples of conscience decline bearing arms, shall not be compelled to serve in the said Militia, but every person professing that he is one of the people called Quakers, Minonists or Tunkers, and producing a certificate of his being a Quaker, Minonist or Tunker, signed by the Clerk of the Meeting of such Society, or by any three or more of the people called Quakers, Minonists or Tunkers, shall be excused and exempted from serving in the said Militia: Provided nevertheless, That every such person or persons that shall or may be of the people called Quakers, Minonists or Tunkers, from the age of sixteen to sixty, shall on or before the first day of December in each and every year, give in his name and place of residence, to the Treasurer of the District where he or they shall reside, and pay to such Treasurer to and for the public uses of this Province, in time of war or insurrection, or when any part of the Militia of that District shall be called out on actual service, the sum of five pounds, and in default of such payment, it shall and may be lawful on information or complaint on oath made by the said Treasurer, before any Justice of the Peace of such District, for the said Justice to issue his warrant under his hand and seal, to levy the same by distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattles, returning so much of the said distress as shall exceed the said sum of five pounds, deducting therefrom the charges and all other incidental expences of such distress and sale, as well as the expences of summoning such offender before such Justice, to answer the said information and complaint, and the said sums so levied by the said Justice aforesaid, shall be by him, within the space of two calendar months paid into the hands of the Receiver General, to be applied to and for the public uses of this Province, and for want of such distress, the Justice before whom such person

Quakers, Minonists & Tunkers not to be compelled to serve, but to pay for said exemption,  
—proof of being such Quakers, Minonists, and Tunkers.

To give in their names and place of residence to the Treasurer of the District where they reside,

—payments to him to what amount and how to be made and applied.