

be procured for them. To provide more than can be employed, is not only an immediate Expence which the Occasion does not call for: but an annual Charge is thereby incurred for keeping so many in repair; and the Ordinary of the Navy is also raised by the Number: The Establishment of the last Year was very large: It appears to have been fully adequate to the Service: And I know no Reason for encreasing it.

The Bounty to Navy Chaplains, which was a separate Article of Supply, is now included in the Ordinary: And in the Establishment of the Army, the *African* is incorporated into the Plantation Service, and the Horse-guards reduced into the Half-pay. This being premised, the Sums voted for the Army appear by the following State of them to be little different from those of last Year, except that another *Irish* Regiment is taken into *British* Pay, and that the reduced Officers of some particular Corps are on Account of their peculiar Circumstances raised to full Pay. The whole Account stands thus.

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Guards and Garrisons	605,608	19	9
Plantations, <i>Minorca</i> , <i>Gibraltar</i> , and <i>Africa</i>	394,505	1	3½
General and Staff Officers	11,291	8	6½
Reduced Officers	138,674	0	0
<i>Chelsea</i> Hospital	109,875	16	8
Pensions to Widows	1,614	0	0
Difference between <i>British</i> and <i>Irish</i> Pay	7,993	11	4
Full Pay to reduced Officers	5,718	6	8
	1,275,281	4	3½

The Reason of the Increase on this Head having been given, no other Observation arises upon it. The Provision for the Ordnance Service is also enlarged; it being now 180,445*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* the chief Cause of which is some new Works in *Jamaica*, of the Propriety and Extent of which Expence, I can form no Judgment.

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