

Baskett due for the several Services aforementioned, to be raised and assessed upon the Inhabitants of the County, where such Services shall be done, by the Justices thereof, at the Time of the Laying the County Levy, and by them to be ordered to whom due. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That One Act of Assembly of this Province, made at a General Assembly held at the City of Annapolis the Twenty eighth Day of October, in the Year of our Lord Seventeen hundred and twelve, Intituled, An Act for Killing Squirrels, and every Article, Matter, Clause, and Thing therein contained, shall be, and is hereby utterly Repealed and made Void.

Pass'd November 14th 1713.

p. 70 An Act to restrain the ill Practice used by Sheriffs in taking Goods by Fieri facias, and selling them by Venditioni exponas.

Whereas many the good People of this Province have of late been greatly damnified and abused in their Estates by Sheriffs, who, upon Receipt of any Fieri facias, or Attachment issued out of the Courts of this Province, take, by Virtue of such Writs, great Quantities of Goods, more than will satisfie the Debt, Damages and Cost in such Writs mentioned, and keep them a long Time in their Custody, under pretence of want of Buyers; whereupon it often happens, upon the Return of the said Sheriffs, that Writs of Venditioni exponas are issued, commanding them to put the said Goods to Sale, which for the most part hath been done privately, and Goods of great Value have not been sold for the Tenth Part of their Value, to the great Loss of both the Debtor and Creditor, and to the Ruin of some Families; For the Prevention whereof for the future, and to ascertain a Way and Method whereby the Sheriffs of this Province may securely Act in Writs of the like Nature, more to the Benefit and Advantage of both Debtor and Creditor, Be it Enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the President, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly if any Writ of Fieri facias shall be delivered to any Sheriff of this Province, if the Defendant, where the Judgment is against him for his proper Debt or Cost, will upon Oath shew all his Personal Estate, or (where Judgment is rendred against him as an Executor or Administrator) shew all the Personal Estate of the Deceased, in his Hands unadministred, to the Sheriff or his Deputy, so that