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stryman.

The Vestry to provide
a fit Person for their
Register.

His Duty.

His Fees.
Penalty.

VII. And it is hereby further Ordained and Enacted by the Consent and Authority aforesaid, That two new Vestrymen shall be annually chosen in the Place of two others, who shall be left out; to which purpose all the Inhabitants of every Parish, being Freeholders within the same Parish, and contributing to the publick Taxes and Charges thereof, or such of them as shall think fit to attend, shall repair to their respective Parish Churches every Year successively, upon *Easter Monday*, and there, by their free Choice, declare what two Persons shall be discharged from their being Vestrymen, and chuse two others, qualified according to this present Act, in their stead and room; who taking the Oaths, and performing all other things required by this present Act, or other the Laws of this Province, for Vestrymen, shall be deemed and taken to be Members of the said Vestry to all Intents and Purposes. **Provided** always, That in every Parish where any Minister or Incumbent is or shall be lawfully, according to the Laws and Usages of this Province, appointed, and in Possession of any Living, invested with the Forty Pounds *per Poll*, and residing therein, he shall, during the Continuance aforesaid, and no longer, be one of the Vestry of such Parish, and Principal of such Vestry, altho' there be the Number of six Persons, or more, besides. **And** for keeping a fair Register of all such Vestry's Proceedings, and for Registering of all Births, Marriages and Burials in each respective Parish, **Be it Enacted** by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That each Vestry shall, and is hereby obliged to provide a fit Person for a Register, who shall at all Times keep a true and fair Registry of the several Proceedings of such Vestry from Time to Time, in executing their Trust and Authority, and make just and true Entries thereof; which Persons so to be appointed for keeping such Registry, shall take Oaths substituted in the place of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, and subscribe the Test and Association, and also an Oath to be given him by the said Vestry; which Oath, the said Vestry are hereby empowered to administer accordingly, for the due and faithful executing his said Office, before he shall be admitted into the said Office; and shall make true Entry of all Vestry Proceedings, and of all *Births, Marriages and Burials*, (*Negroes and Mulato's* excepted;) that is to say, the Christian and Surname, with the Day, Month and Year of every such Births, Marriages or Burials: To which purpose, all and every the Inhabitants of each Parish that are either Parents, Guardians, Overseers, Masters or Mistresses of any Person, born, married or buried, are hereby enjoined and required to give Notice to the Register of such Parish, within two Months after such Birth, Marriage and Burial, and pay him Sixpence for entering it, at the Time of giving Notice aforesaid, under the Penalty of One hundred Pounds of Tobacco, to be forfeited by such Inhabitant aforesaid, refusing or neglecting as aforesaid;