

by any Justice of Peace for the Recovery of small Debts, shall be directed to some Constable of a Hundred, Appointed by the Courts, unless at the request of such Suitor, it be directed to some Friend who will serve it *gratis*, such Suitor Nevertheless being hereby made liable to pay the Constable of the hundred where such Warrant is served, his just Fee.

And be it further Enacted, That the Sheriff of each respective County is hereby obliged to return a true and fair Copy of the List of Taxables in his County, under his own hand, yearly, into the Secretary's, Office by the twentieth day of September, on pain of one thousand Pounds of Tobacco for every Neglect, to be forfeited, as aforesaid to the Uses aforesaid to be recovered as aforesaid.

And the better to Enable the Sheriffs of the Several Counties to return Copy's of the List of Taxables in each County as aforesaid.

Be it Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the several Constables of the several and respective hundreds, in the several Counties, are hereby required to send a Copy of their Lists of Taxables to the Sheriff of their County, at or before the first day of August, after the taking of such List.

And whereas it is found by Experience that there are many single Persons, who are Free-men within this Province, who have not any Setled place of Residence, but make their abode at such places where they are imployed, and such Employers refuse to give them in, as Taxables, they not being constant Residents in their Family's, by which means they frequently escape paying any Tax at all.

Be it Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That it shall and may be Lawful for any Constable of any hundred in any of the Counties within this Province, upon finding any such single Person or Freeman in their respective Hundreds, who cannot procure some House-keeper within such Hundred to give him in as a Taxable, nor make appear that he is a Resident, or taken as a Taxable in some other Hundred or County, to carry such Person or Free-man before the next Justice of the Peace for such County, who is hereby Impowered and required to commit such person or Free-man into the Sheriffs Custody until he shall procure some House-keeper to return him as a Taxable, and be answerable for his Levy.

An Act for the Encouragement of an Iron Mannufacture within this Province.

WHereas it is represented to this present General Assembly, That there are very great Conveneances of carrying on Iron Works within this Province, which have not hitherto been imbraced for want of proper Encouragements to some first Undertakers, altho' the Consequences thereof might not only be considerably Advantagious to the Persons immediately concerned therewith, but also to the publick Trade of *Great Britain* and this Province; and for that it may so happen that the Lands or Places most proper for the fixing Forge Mills, and other Conveniences for the carrying on such considerable Works, may happen to be within the Bounds of any Lands already reserved to his Lordships Use, or such Lands as are in the hands or possession of Persons under Age, or unable to be at the Charge of carrying on such considerable