

An Act reviving an Act, entituled, *An Act for the speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws of this Province, and for the Encouragement of Jonas Green, of the City of Annapolis, Printer, and to other Purposes therein mentioned.*

**B**E it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Justices of the several and respective County Courts of this Province, shall, and are hereby empowered and directed to make an Additional Allowance of Five Pounds Current Money to the said *Jonas Green*, in the Levy to be laid for such respective County after this present Session of Assembly (with the Sheriff's Commission for Collecting the same, at the Rate of Five Pounds *per Centum*) which shall be collected by the Sheriff of each respective County, and yearly paid by him, free from all Charges of Collection, to the said *Jonas Green*, or his Order, for the Printing, Stitching, and Delivering within the Space of Six Months from the End of this present Session, a Copy of the Votes and Proceedings of the Lower House of Assembly, made this present Session, and every other Session or Sessions of Assembly or Convention which shall yearly happen, within the Space of Four Months from the End of every future Session or Convention during the Continuance of this Act, to the Governor, and every Member of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Clerk of each House, and three Books of the Votes and Proceedings aforesaid, to the Clerks of the several and respective County Courts, for the Perusal of the Inhabitants of the several and respective Counties; and also for the printing, stitching, and delivering a Copy of the public Laws, during the Continuance of this Act, to every Provincial Magistrate.

Additional Allowance of 5 l. in each County, to *Jonas Green*, in Consideration of an additional Duty.

*Provided Nevertheless*, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, That if it shall so happen that there shall not be a Session of Assembly or Convention in any one Year, during the Continuance of this Act, that then and in every such Case, it shall not be lawful for the Justices aforesaid to assess the Five Pounds Current Money, mentioned in this Act for any such Year, where it shall so happen that there shall not be any Session of Assembly or Convention; any Thing in this Act to the Contrary notwithstanding.

In case of no Session or Convention, &c.

*Provided Also*, That it shall and may be lawful for the Sheriffs of each respective County, and they are hereby required not to pay to the said *Jonas Green*, the said Sums of Money mentioned in this and the before recited Act, or any Part thereof, to be assessed and levied for his Use, unless it shall be made appear to them by a Certificate from the Clerk of each respective County; (which said Certificate shall be given by the Clerks without Fee or Reward) that the public Laws, together with the Votes and Proceedings of this present Session, shall be printed and delivered in Manner and Form as by this and the before recited Act is directed, within the Space of Six Months from the End of this present Session, and the Votes and Proceedings of every future Session or Convention, within the Space of Four Months from the End of every such future Session or Convention; any Thing in this or the before recited Act to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Sheriffs how to pay.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That the several and respective Sheriffs within this Province, shall, and they are hereby directed and required to receive and forward the said Laws, with the Votes and Proceedings aforesaid, to the Clerks of the several County Courts, and the Members of each House of Assembly, as public Letters are by the Laws of this Province directed to be forwarded.

Laws, &c. to be forwarded as Public Letters.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That the said recited Act made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, on *Tuesday* the first Day of *May*, *Anno Domini* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-four, be, and is hereby revived, and shall continue, remain, and be in full Force, together with this present Act, until the Twenty-fifth Day of *December*, which shall be in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-eight, and no longer.

Duration.