

Lib. R. R. offences aforesaid as by the Lawes used in this our Province extending not to the Losse of life or member, And to Chastise and punish the said persons offending in Lesser Crimes and every of them for their offences by ffynes Ransomes Amerciaments fforfeitures or otherwise as ought and hath been used to bee done according to the Lawes and Customes of this Province or the fforme of the Lawes Ordinances Statutes and acts afores^d Provided alwaies that in Cases w^{ch} are punish^{bl} wth Losse of life or Member or Wherein any difficulty doth arise upon the Determinacōn of the p^rmisses before you or any foure or more of you as aforesaid Then you

p. 173 nor any foure or more of you doe proceed to give Judgement therein but that in every such Case you send the prissoners with their Indictment, & the Whole matter depending before you to the next Provinciall Court to bee holden for our said province Whensoever and Wherespever to bee holden there to bee Tryed, And therefore Wee comand you that you dilligently intend the Keeping of the peace ordinances Lawes and Acts and all and singular other the premisses and at Certaine dayes by Act of Assembly appointed and in such places as you or any foure or more of you as aforesaid shall in that behalfe appoint you make enquiry upon the premisses and performe and fulfill the same in forme aforesaid doing therein that w^{ch} to Justice apperteyneth according to the Lawes orders and reasonable Customes of our said Province saveing to us the amerciaments and other things thereof to vs belonging And therefore Wee Comand the Sheriffe of the County of Saint Maries by vertue of these presents that at the dayes and places aforesaid Which you or any such foure or more of you as aforesaid shall make knowne to him to give his attendance on you, & if need require, to cause to come before you or any such foure or more of you as aforesaid such and soe many good and Lawfull men of your County by whom the Truth in the premisses may the better be known and enquired of and therefore you shall Cause to be brought before you at the said dayes and places the Writts precepts processes & Indictm^{ts} aforesaid That the same may bee Inspected & by a due Course determined as aforesaid, And Wee doe hereby Revoke all former Comissions for the peace to our said County Granted, And Lastly Wee doe hereby declare that each and every of our Councill are Jus-

p. 174 tices of the peace and are hereby Constituted and appointed to sitt as Justices of the peace as well in this our County of Saint Maryes as in all other Countyes of this our Province In Witness Whereof wee have Caused the Greate Seale of our said Province of Maryland to these presents to be affixed this second day of August in the fourth yeare of our Dominion