

C. P. Secretarys Office within two months after the takeing thereof in Default Whereof the Commissioners of any County Court takeing such bond and not Causeing the same to be soe transmitted within the time af^d shall forfeit to his Majesty his heirs and Successors fifteen hundred pounds of Tob^o the one halfe whereof shall be applyed to the support of Government and the other to the Informer or such person as will sue for the same to be recovered in the Provinciaall Court of this province wherein no Essoyne protection or wager of Law shall be

p. 92 Allowed and the said Secretary and his Chiefe Clerk of the Provinciaall Court shall be Obligēd att the next Council after receiving any sher bond or bonds into the Secretaries Office to lay the same before his Excellency the Governour of this Province for the time being for his Approbation or Disallowance of the Securitys taken by the County Courts and the said Commissioners are hereby required and Enjoynd to take new Security yearly and Every year of such Sher^s soe long as they shall Continue in the said Office and transmitt the same as af^d having a Speciall regard not to admitt any person to be Security as af^d but such as are good and Substantiall ffreeholders within their Countys and alsoe to make the Obligation of such bond soe to be taken from any Sher Answerable to the Publick Charge of their respective Counties which penalty shall not be less then two hundred thousand pounds of Tob^o as af^d

p. 93 And for the Encouragement of such p^{rs}ons now bearing or that shall hereafter bear the Office of Sher. and who shall punctually Comply with the Publick Creditors, It is also hereby further Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent af^d that itt shall and may be Lawfull for his Majesties Govern^r for the time being where no Just Complaint is made against such Sher^s to Continue and make good their Commission for the time and terme of three years Successively but no Longer.

And be itt further Enacted by and with the Advice and Consent af^d that if any high Sher or high Sher^s being indebted to any person or p^{rs}ons shall refuse to discount or Allow the same out of any Publick or County Levy due from such person or persons but will notwithstanding the said Debt being due from the Sher take the body or Goods of such person in Execution [he] shall be Lyable to be prosecuted in an Action of Tresspass or false Imprisonment as the Case shall require.

And be itt further Enacted that the high Sher of Every respective County shall be Lyable to bee sued as af^d for his own or any of his Deputys Offence or Offences against this Act and the Debts mentioned which the Sherriffe may owe to