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any other or larger Fees than by this Act is limited and appointed, SessionLaws under any pretence whatsoever, nor under any other denomination than mentioned in this Act. unless the Consent and Approbation of the General Assembly of this Province be first had and obtained: And if any Officer or Officers, their Servants, Ministers or Clerks, shall demand and take any other or larger Fee or Fees, than is herein before mentioned, that then and in such case, they forfeit and pay to the Party or Parties, from whom they shall demand and take such extraordinary Fee or Fees, not only the Fee or Fees so charged or taken, but also the Sum of Five thousand Pounds of Tobacco, to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province, by Action of Debt, Action on the Case, Indictment or Information, wherein no Essoyn, Protection, or Wager of Law, or more than one Imparlance, shall be allowed. And in case the Party grieved doth not prosecute the Officer so offending, within six Months from the Time of such Offence committed, that then and in such case any other Person may prosecute for the same.

And be it further Enacted, That all Officers mentioned in this Act, Officers to who shall enjoy any the Offices aforesaid, shall on or before the be Sworn The Oath Tenth Day of December which shall be in the Year Seventeen hundred and forty-eight, take the following Oath, before some Provincial or County Magistrate, who is hereby authorized and required to administer the same, viz. You A. B. do Swear, that you will well, faithfully and impartially, to the best of your skill and knowledge, execute your Office, and that you will not willingly or wittingly, charge, ask, take, exact or demand, any other or larger Fees for doing your Duty in your Office, than is mentioned in the Act entituled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees, now in force. And as often as any Person or Persons shall be appointed for said Office or Offices, they shall take the said Oath prior to their receiving any of the Profits of any such Office or Offices.

And be it further Enacted, That Accounts of all Officer's Fees Fees to be in this Act mentioned, shall be made out and drawn in a fair and clear Charged at length manner, and in Words at length; and whenever any Person or Persons interested in them, or to whom the same shall be charged, shall desire a Copy of such Account, the several Officers shall, and are hereby required to give such Person so applying therefore, in as p. 37 short a Time as may be convenient, an Account of such Charge in Words at length: And that all Under-Clerks and Deputies, Writing in any the Offices aforesaid, or doing Service in them, shall, by the Time aforesaid, or before they enter into any the Services aforesaid, before some Provincial or County Magistrate, (who is hereby authorized and required to administer the same) take the following The Oath Oath, viz. You A. B. do Swear, that you will not for Lucre or Malice delay any Person or Persons applying to you for any Busi-