

L. H. J.
Liber No. 48
July 7

to the Directions of this Act, and shall not, within two Days after he or they shall know thereof, make Information of the same to some Justice of the Peace for the County, he or they shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money, one Half thereof for the Use of the Informer, and the other Half for the Use of this Act; to be recovered in a Summary Way, before one Magistrate, as in the Case of small Debts, who is hereby impowered to receive and pay the same, in Manner as is herein before directed. And the Justice, or Justices, to whom such Information shall be made, are hereby required immediately thereupon to issue his or their Warrant against such Person or Persons, against whom such Information shall be made to such Sheriff, Coroner, Deputy-Sheriff or Constable, to take and bring such Person or Persons before some Justice of the County, to answer such Complaint; and if it shall appear to such Justice, upon Examination of such Person or Persons, that he or they hath or have imported or brought into this Province, any Wine, Molasses or Sugar, as aforesaid, except as before excepted, and hath or have not duly entered the same, and paid, or secured to be paid, the Duties aforesaid, according to the Directions of this Act, and the same Wine, Molasses or Sugar, hath not been already seized and secured, such Justice or Justices are hereby directed, to require such Person or Persons so offending, to give good Security to appear at the next County Court of the said County, to answer the same, and for Want thereof, shall commit such Person or Persons to the Custody of the Sheriff of the County, there to remain until he or they shall comply therewith; and the several Justices of the several County Courts of this Province are hereby directed and required, at their several Courts, to give this Act in Charge to their several Grand Juries, and direct them to Enquire into and make Presentment of all Breaches thereof.

p. 148

And be it further Enacted, That the Naval Officer aforesaid shall yearly transmit to the Commissioners of the Loan Office, an Account, upon Oath, of all the Monies by them respectively received, by Virtue of this Act, for the Duties, Impositions and Forfeitures aforesaid, and yearly pay the Monies aforesaid, so by them received, retaining in his or their Hands respectively, a Commission of Two and in Half per Centum, and that the Office Bonds of the said Sheriffs and Naval Officers, and their Sureties in such Bonds respectively, shall be answerable for, and subject to, the Payment of all Monies, so by the said Sheriffs and Naval Officers respectively received, by Virtue of this Act, and for any Breach of Duty by them committed against the same.

And be it further Enacted, That the said Commissioners, or Trustees of the Loan Office, for the Time being, shall, and they are hereby obliged and required, to keep a distinct and particular Account of