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of that Law And therefore the Memorialist could have no Remedy against them.

Observ.^{ns} on this Mem.¹¹

In Answer to the Remarks contain'd in M.^r Steuarts Mem.¹¹ It may be Observed

That the Money given by this Act is for the immediate Service of the Crown & not for the Private Emolument of the Prop.^{rs} To Repell Enemies who had then Actually Invaded That & the Neighbouring Prov.^{ces} & were become very Formidable from their Success. It was not only a Supply to his Maty but in Consequence of his Matys Express Commands Signified by his Secretary of State. The Money given is made immediately payable (as Required by the Exigencies of the Times) out of the Publick Funds of the Province then in hand & the only Office of the Act is to make Provisions for Replacing the Publick Stock thus Exhausted.

The Taxables or Objects of the Act are of 2 Sorts.

1st A Duty Imposed upon all Licences to Hawkers & Pedlars & to Ordinary Keepers which are in Reality part of the Lord Prop.^{rys} Private Revenue given him by his Charter but which he has been pleased not to Insist upon for the present out of his great Regard to the Province. Also a Duty upon Coaches &c. & upon Madeira Wines.

2.^d A Duty of 20.^s p Poll payable at entry by all Masters of Ships & others Importing Servants into the Province to Serve for the Term of Seven Years or upwards. Also a Duty of 5.^s p Poll on all Masters of Ships & others Importing Servants to Serve by Indre or Custom of the Country for a Less Term than 7 years. And a Duty of 10.^s for every Negroe Imported. With a Drawback upon Re Exportation & an Except.ⁿ in favor of Germans & o.^r Aliens Imported from Flanders or the United Provinces.

Convicts Eo Nomine, can never be Serv.^{ts} within y.^e Lie or Spirit of this Act.

The Expences of the Transportation as well as every other Incident is by the English Acts Imposed upon the Partar County from whence the Felon is Transported but which Expence (as stated in the Mem.¹¹) so far as Relates to London Middlesex & the Home Circuit His Maty has taken upon himself

And it is well known That the Contractor has an Allowance of between £4. & £5. p Poll from the Treasury for every Felon he Transports w.^{ch} Considering the Casualty as well as Shortness of the Voyage & that the Felons Usually Work their Passage over & Supply the Place of Seamen is a very handsome Allowance and Enables the Contractor to Engross Almost the Whole Tobacco Trade, the Advantages of the Outward Bound Voyage Enabling him to Return at a much Lower Rate of Freight than any other