

C H A P. XVI. Conviction of Freeholders, to be certified to the County Clerk, and the Sheriff to levy the Fines by Execution.

sons, and shall not have Money to pay the aforesaid Fines, the Magistrate, or other Officer, shall be, and are by this Act, required to certify all such Convictions to the several County Clerks, where the Offence shall be committed, who shall, every *November* Court, make out Lists thereof with the County Levy, to the several Sheriffs; under the County Seal; by virtue whereof, the Sheriffs shall and may levy the same in Money, or Tobacco at One Penny per Pound, by way of Execution, as other public Dues are to be levied.

The Whipping, &c. limited.

V. **Provided always**, That no Offender shall receive above Thirty-nine Lashes, or be kept in the Stocks above Three Hours, upon any one Conviction.

Penalty on Magistrates, &c. guilty of Swearing or Drunkenness, or omitting to punish others.

VI. **And be it Enacted**, That every Magistrate, or other Officer, appointed to put this Act in Execution, and being guilty themselves of Cursing, Swearing, or Drunkenness, or omitting to punish others according to Law, shall for every such Offence or Omission, and Conviction thereof, in Manner aforesaid, before any other Magistrate or Officer aforementioned, forfeit Ten Shillings Current Money; to be levied and applied as aforesaid.

Offenders reviling any Magistrate, &c. in the Execution of this Act, how to be treated.

VII. **And be it Enacted**, That if any Offender shall revile or abuse any Magistrate, or other Officer, putting this Act in Execution, the Offender shall be obliged to give good Security (in the Sum of Five Pounds Current Money) for his good Behaviour for the Space of Three Months, and in Default thereof to suffer one Month's Imprisonment, without Bail or Mainprize.

Magistrates, &c. assaulted.

VIII. **And be it Enacted**, That if any Magistrate, or other Person putting this Act in Execution, shall be assaulted or beaten by the Offender, or any other, that the Party grieved, if he brings an Action of Assault and Battery, shall and may recover treble Damages and full Costs.

General Issue.

IX. **And be it Enacted**, That if any Person shall be sued or impleaded for any Thing to be done in Execution of this Act, the Defendant may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the Special Matter in Evidence; and if a Verdict shall be found for the Defendant, or the Plaintiff be Non suit, or discontinue his Action, the Defendant shall have and recover treble Costs.

Sabbath-Breaking punishable by a Fine of 200^{lb} Tobacco.

X. **And be it Enacted**, That no Person whatsoever, shall Work, or do any bodily Labour on the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, and that no Person, having Children, Servants or Slaves, shall command, or wittingly or willingly suffer any of them to do any Manner of Work or Labour on the Lord's Day, (Works of Necessity and Charity always excepted) nor shall suffer or permit any Children, Servants or Slaves, to profane the Lord's Day, by Gaming, Fishing, Fowling, Hunting, or unlawful Pastimes or Recreations: And that every Person transgressing this Act, and being thereof convicted, by the Oath of one sufficient Witness, or Confession of the Party before a single Magistrate, shall forfeit Two Hundred Pounds of Tobacco to be levied and applied as aforesaid.

Penalty on House-keepers selling strong Liquors on Sunday, &c.

XI. **And be it likewise Enacted**, That no House-keeper shall sell any strong Liquor on Sunday, (except in Cases of absolute Necessity) or suffer any Drunkenness, Gaming, or unlawful Sports or Recreations, in his or her House, on Pain of forfeiting Two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco to his Lordship, one Half to the Use aforesaid, and the other Half to him that will sue for the same; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection or Wager of Law shall be allowed.

This Act to be read by every Minister

XII. **And be it Enacted**, That every Parish-Clerk within this Province, shall procure a Copy of this Act, which the County Clerks are hereby required to suffer the Parish-Clerks to take, without Fee or Reward, for which he