

*A Warrant for a general search for Rogues.*

*To the High-Constable of the Hundred of, &c.*

**T**Hese are in the Kings Majesties name to charge and command you; Cambr. that you, together with the petty Constables of the severall Towns, Parishes and Hamlets within your Hundred, (taking sufficient assistance out of the said Towns) do make a general privy search within every of the said severall Towns, Parishes and Hamlets; upon *Tuesday* at night next coming, for the finding out and apprehending of all Rogues, Vagabonds, and wandring and idle persons, in or about your said severall Towns, Parishes or Hamlets; and that such as shall be found and apprehended, you do cause them to be brought before us the next day unto *L.* by nine of the clock, there to be by us dealt withal according to the late Statute in that behalf provided. At which time and place we farther require you, together with the said petty Constables to appear before us, and there to give an account and reckoning upon Oath, in writing, and under the hands of the Minister of every severall Parish within your Hundred, what Rogues, Vagabonds, wandring and disordered persons have been there apprehended, as well in the same search, as also since the last Assembly and Meeting that was made for this purpose, being upon or about the 20 day of *July* last past. And hereof fail you, not, &c.

What the Justice shall do with them see *infra.*

See the title of Rogues.

Note that all Rogues which shall be brought before the Justices upon such search (after Examination of their idle life taken by the Justices) are either to be whipped by the Constables of the Town where the Justices sit, (as it seemeth) or rather the Constables of the Town where the Justices sit may procure some other to inflict the punishment of Whipping of all such Rogues as are brought thither; and the Constables that brought those Rogues from other Towns, to contribute and give content to such persons as shall whip them; or else such Rogues are from thence to be sent to the House of Correction, and to be conveyed thither by the Constables that brought them, and yet at the charge of the Hundred: which services imposed upon the Constables are some cause of their neglect of this Service; and therefore I have set down another course and Precedent, perhaps no less serviceable, which also may be performed and done every month, or every Meeting of the Justices, if need shall so require: or if the Justices cannot, or shall not meet, yet, it seemeth, such Warrant may be granted out by any Justices of Peace as followeth.

**T**Hese are in the Kings Majesties name to charge and command you; Cambr. that you, together with the petty Constables of the severall Towns, Parishes and Hamlets within your Hundred, (taking sufficient assistance out of the said Towns) do make a general privy search within every of the said severall Towns, Parishes and Hamlets, upon *Thursday* at night next coming, for the finding out and apprehending of all Rogues, Vagabonds and wandring and idle persons, in or about your said severall Towns; and that such as shall be found and apprehended, you do cause them to be punished in every severall Town or Parish where they shall be so apprehended, by the petty Constables of every severall Parish respectively, and by them also farther to be conveyed according to the Statute: And if any of the said Rogues shall appear to be dangerous