

‘ Statute of 5 *El.* 4. be made and published in Easter Sessions yearly, or
 ‘ within six weeks after; and every Justice of the Peace not present there-
 ‘ at (being not let by sickness) shall forfeit 10 *l.* with divers others of
 ‘ like nature.

‘ Divers other things there be that may be done in any, but must be
 ‘ done in some Sessions, and not out of the same; as an Apprentice ill
 ‘ used by his Master must be discharged by four Justices of Peace in Sessions
 ‘ under their Hands and Seals, by 5 *El.* 4. Badgers must be licensed in open
 ‘ Sessions under the Hands and Seals of three Justices of Peace, *Quorum*
 ‘ *unus.* Every person having any Office or Place of Trust of the Kings
 ‘ Gift or Grant, shall in the next Sessions after his being admitted into
 ‘ that Office, after receiving of the Sacrament, in open Sessions (between
 ‘ the hours of 9 and 12 in the morning) prove the doing thereof by two
 ‘ Witnesses, and take the Oaths prescribed by 1 *El.* 1. and 3 *Jac.* 4. and
 ‘ make a declaration against Transubstantiation, according to 25 *Car.* 2.
 ‘ And many other particulars there be of that nature.

§. 15.
Private
Orders.

‘ This also I would observe, that the manner in some Counties is to
 ‘ make Orders in the Chamber after the Adjournment of the Sessions,
 ‘ touching several matters of great importance; which is a very ill usage,
 ‘ and contrary to the Honour and Dignity of the Employment: and such
 ‘ doings are for the most part to promote some private design, and to serve
 ‘ turns and by-ends, but not the publick, and are neither valid nor safe
 ‘ should they be complained of.

§. 16.
Reversing
Orders.

‘ Another thing censurable in our Justices of Peace is, their over easie
 ‘ discharging and setting aside Orders made in open and publick Sessions;
 ‘ whereas be it an Order that is made by them upon an Appeal from the
 ‘ Order of other Justices, as from the Order of two Justices of Peace in
 ‘ case of Bastard Children, by and upon 18 *El.* 2. and in like manner be
 ‘ it an Order made upon Appeal from the Order of two Justices upon
 ‘ 14 *Car.* 2. touching Settlements: in these cases the same nor any other
 ‘ Sessions can repeal these Orders, according to *Pridgeons Case.* Nay, be
 ‘ it an Order made by themselves, intended to be final and made absolute,
 ‘ without any time to shew cause; I see not how another Sessions can re-
 ‘ peal it: for such Order is in the nature of a Judgment on record, as all
 ‘ things are that are done in Sessions, and may be reversed by a superiour
 ‘ Court, but not by themselves.

§. 17.
Wages.

‘ By the Statute of 14 *R.* 2. c. 11. none above the degree of a Knight
 ‘ shall take the Kings Wages for Service at the Sessions, nor above eight
 ‘ Knights at one time. *Quere,* whether a Knight shall take Wages, whereas
 ‘ a Banneret shall not, for so is the Original, not a Baronet.

§. 18.
Estreats.

‘ The Estreats of Sessions are a great part of the Justice of Peace his
 ‘ duty; and they are to be doubled, and one part thereof unto the Ju-
 ‘ stices hands is to be delivered to the Sheriff to levy by them, and there-
 ‘ out to pay the Justices of Peace their Wages by the hand of the Sheriff,
 ‘ by Indenture between them to be made; and the Justices Names are to
 ‘ be put into those Indentures, that the Sheriff may know whom to pay,
 ‘ and for whom to have Allowance made. 14 *R.* 2. 11.