

levied by Distress and Sale, and a Justice of Peace, or chief Magistrate neglecting his Duty, forfeits One hundred pounds, one moyety to the King, the other to the Informer by Action, &c. 22 Car. 2.

The Act shall be taken most strictly for suppressing of Conventicles, and no proceeding shall be revert for form 22 Car. 2.

If any person convicted, live in another County or Coporation, upon certificate under hand and seal of the person convicting to the Justices or chief Magistrate, he or they shall levy the penalty. 22 Car. 2.

The party convicted being a feme covert, living with her Husband, penalties shall be levied on him: every Offender must be presented within Three months. 22 Car. 2.

C H A P. XXXI.

Cottages, and Inmates.

Erecting
Cottages.

NO person shall make, build, or erect, or cause, &c. any Cottage for Habitation, or Dwelling, nor convert any building to be used as a Cottage, unless he assign and lay to it 4 Acres of Land, being his freehold and inheritance, lying near it, to be continually used with it, upon pain to forfeit to the King 10 l. Every person that shall uphold or continue any such Cottage to be erected or convicted, shall forfeit 40 s. for every month. There shall be no Inmate, or more Families, or Household, than one dwelling in any Cottage, made or to be made, upon pain that the Owner, or Occupier wilfully suffering it, shall forfeit to the Lord of the Lect 10 s. per mensem. ^{31 El. 7.} ^{See for the exposition of this Statute 2 Just. 736.} ^{31 El. 7.}

Continuing
Inmates.

The Statute shall not extend to Cottages in any City, Town-Corporate, or ancient Burrough, or Market-Town, nor to Cottages erected for habitation of Workmen in Minerals, Cole-mines, or Quarries of Stone, or about making of Brick, Lime, or Cole, so as the same be not above a mile from the work, nor to a Cottage within a mile of the Sea, inhabited by a Sailer, nor to a Cottage for a Keeper or Warrener, nor to a Cottage heretofore erected and used for the habitation of a Shepherd, or poor person, so allowed to continue by the Sessions. ^{31 El. 7.}

The Justices of Peace in their Sessions (*inter alios*) may hear and determine Offences against that Act by Indictment, as by presentment or information, and to award Execution be *Fieri facias*, *Elegit*, *Capias*, or otherwise as the case shall require. ^{31 El. 7.}

The Church-wardens and Overseers by leave of the Lord in writing under the Hand and Seal of the Lord, or by order of the Sessions with the Lords leave may erect Cottages for poor people. ^{43 El. 2.}

C H A P. XXXII.

Counterfeiters.

Two Justices.

TWO Justices of Peace, the one being of the *Quorum* may convent by Process, or by their Warrant, (*sc.* may grant their Warrant to attach and bind over) to the next General Sessions of the Peace or Assizes, any person that is suspected of any deceitful getting into his hands any mony, goods, or other thing of any other persons, by means or colour of any false Tokens or counterfeit Letter made in another mans name, there to be examined and ordered. *Henry Jones* for a counterfeit Pass was adjudged to the Pillory, and fined: *Lib. Delib. Gaol. Newgate 5 Dec. 8. Car.* The like for counterfeiting a Butchers Licence, *30 March, 7 Car. eod lib.* Also it seemeth, or else the said Justices may call or convene before themselves the Offenders, and after due Examination, &c. may imprison such Offenders, or bail them until the next General Session or Gaol-delivery. And in this case the said Justices of Peace shall do well to take Examination of the