

Majesty King Charles the Second for the better securing the
 Plantation Trade for the time being **Whereas**
 by an Act passed in the eleventh and twelfth years of the
 Reigns of our late Royall Brothers King William the
 third published an Act for the more effectual Suppressing of
 Piracy it is amongst other things enacted that all Piracies
 Felonies and Robberies Committed in or upon the Sea or in any
 Haven river Creek or place where the Admirall or Admiralls
 have power Authority or Jurisdiction may be Enquired Enqui-
 red off tried heard determined and adjudged according to
 the Directions of the said Act in any place at Sea or
 upon the Land in any of his said late Majesty's Plantations
 Colonies Towns Ports or Factories to be
 appointed for that purpose by his said late Majesty's
 Commission or Commissions under the great Seal of England
 or the Seal of the Admiralty of England Directed to all or
 any the Admiralls Vice Admiralls Rear Admiralls Judges
 of Vice Admiralties or Commanders of any of his said late
 Majesty's Shippes of war and also to all or any such fit men
 or persons Officers or Officers by Name or for the time
 being as the said late King should think fit to appoint & the
 said Commissioners should have full power Royally Or
 Severally by Warrant under the hand and Seal of them
 or any one of them to commit to safe custody any person
 or persons against whom information of Piracy Robbery
 or Felony upon the Sea shall be given upon oath & to
 call and assemble a Court of admiralty upon the Sea or
 upon the Land when and as often as occasion shall require
 which Court shall consist of seven persons at the least &
 it is further enacted that if so many of the persons afo-
 re said cannot conveniently be assembled any three of the said persons
 whereof the president or Chief of some English factory or the

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