

November Court Anno Domini 1747

Good and Profitt now in this Province made and used, and also of the
 Sheriff, Bailiffs, Constables, and other officers, who have or shall hereafter
 misbehave themselves in the Execution of their office, or have been negligent or
 Negligent in the Execution thereof, or shall hereafter happen to be,
 within our County aforesaid, and of all and every the articles, matters &
 things whatsoever, howsoever, or by whomsoever, in our County aforesaid
 done or committed, or that shall hereafter happen to be done or committed,
 Concerning the Commissions, or any of them, and to inspect all Indictments
 before you, or any of you, taken or to be taken, or before our late Justices of the
 Peace within our said County had and taken, and not yet Determined, and
 Process there on against all or any Person, or Persons so Indicted, or which
 shall hereafter happen to be Indicted within our County aforesaid, to make and
 Continue until they shall be taken or surrender themselves, or be outlawed,
 and to hear and determine all and every the Felonies, Petty Felonies, murders,
 Rape upon White Women, Willfull burning of any dwelling house, or out
 house contiguous to and allied with any dwelling house, or any other out-
 house, wherein there shall be any Goods or Merchandises, &c.
 Indian born or Sold and all other Capital offences done or perpetrated by any
 Negro or other Slave and likewise all consulting, advising and conspiring
 of Negroes and other Slaves, to Rebel or raise any Insurrection, or to murder, or
 Poison any Person, or to Ravish any white woman, or to attempt to burn,
 any dwelling house, or out house contiguous to or used therewith, Treasuries
 Forestallings, Regrattings, Riots, Indictments, and all other the matters aforesaid,
 according to the Laws, Customs and Directions of the Acts of Assembly aforesaid,
 so far forth as they provide, and where they are silent according to the Laws, —
 Statutes and Reasonable Customs of England, as used and Practised within
 this Province, and thereof Delinquents, and away of them, to be punished and punished,
 by Fines, Ransoms, Amercements, Forfeitures, and otherwise, according to the
 Laws, Customs and Directions of the Acts of Assembly aforesaid, so far forth as they
 Provide, and where they are silent, according to the Laws, Statutes, and Reasonable
 Customs of England, as used and Practised within this Province, but we will not
 that you proceed in any of the cases aforesaid, to take life or Member, Except by negroes
 and other slaves, but that in every such case you send the Prisoners, with their
 Indictments, and the whole matters depending before you, to our Justices of Assize,
 Nisi prius, and Gaol Delivery, at the Next Court of Oyer and Terminer to be holden
 our said County, be it wheresoever or whensoever to be holden, there to be tried, and
 command you, and every of you, Diligently to Intend the Keeping the Peace, Acts of
 Assembly, Laws, Customs, and Statutes aforesaid, and all and every the Commissions, &
 that at your County Courts you make Inquisition, and hear and determine as
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