

persons to the intent ~~the~~ ~~purposes~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~said~~ ~~and~~ ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~as~~
near as may be concur with the laws and constitution of England
and that an Oath be administered to every such Person by Appointment
of the Governour at their entering into the said Office according to the
forms of the Oath of a Coronor in England

162 + An Act for the Appointment of certain Officers

Be it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesty
by and with the advice and consent of their present Generall Assembly
and the Authority of the same that the Justices of the peace in every
County at the first County Court hold after Michaelmasse shall nominate
and appoint some Inhabitant in every hundred or precinct who
shall execute all precepts and warrants to him directed and shall
in all things have the like power within the said hundred and pre-
cinct as any Constable hath or ought to have in a hundred or precinct
in England by the Law or Customs of England and the said Constable
shall take the Oath mentioned in an Act made in the fifth Year of
their said Majesties Reigne Entituled An Act for Abrogating the
Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance in manner and form
following You shall swear you will well and truly serve our
Soveraign Lord and Lady King William and Queen Mary in the
Office of a Constable you shall so and cause that their Majesties peace
be well and duly kept according to your power you shall arrest
all such persons as in your presence shall commit any dyott affray or other
breach of their Majesties peace you shall doo your best Endeavour
upon complaint to you made to seize all felons Parricides Dyott
or persons dyotously assembled and if any such offenders shall make
any Resistance with force you shall levy hue and cry and pursue
them untill they be taken you shall doo your best Endeavour that
hue and cry be duly raised and pursued against ~~vagabonds~~ and
such other Murderers thieves and other felons and fugitives

(Servants)