

who many times abuse their Comissions and the People.  
Be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that from henceforth  
the Commissioners of each respective County shall yearly  
and every Year viz. between the twenty fifth day of Sep-  
tember and twenty fifth day of December nominate and  
appoint honest and substantial men of their Counties  
for every hundred to be Prest Masters for the year ensuing,  
and if any one dye or depart the County or be lame  
or sick within that time that then the next Justice of  
Peace do nominate and appoint another in his stead  
that if occasion require they and no other shall Im-  
press victuals or other things given them in charge  
to be prest by warrant from his excellency the Govern-  
or in chief for the time being, And if any other but such  
Prest master so appointed shall presume upon the  
of any Power as a Prest master to seize take prest  
or carry away any Goods or Commodities of any the  
Inhabitants of this Province, shall pay to the person  
grieved treble the value of the Goods or Commodities  
so as aforesaid unjustly prested. Provided that  
no Prest master or any Person or Persons whatsoever  
shall presume at any time to seize prest or carry  
away from any Inhabitant Resident within the Pro-  
vince, any Armes or Ammunition of any kind what-  
soever upon any duty or Service or upon any Account