

desperate debts with the division of the overplus of the estate unto the several and respective Justices of the County Courts where the Estate shall ly, to the end the said Justices may inquire whether the said Administrator hath by fraud or otherwise neglected to recover the same, or hath received and never accounted for the same, and shall with the residue of the said Estate commit the said desperate debts to the care of the guardians or other trustees by them employed and shall yearly and every year call the said Guardians to account for the same, and duly inspect what of the said debts they have received or might have received, and if the said guardian or trustee fail to give in his account yearly, or by fraud or covin neglect or forbear to recover the same, the said guardian or trustee shall stand and be accountable for every such debt by them received & not accounted or neglected or born to be recovered. 10. That the Justices of the County Courts take able & sufficient Security for Orphans Estates, and inquire yearly of the security, and if there be just cause that they require new and better security, & upon refusal to give new & better security to remove the Orphans Estates into their hands. And further,

That the Justices of the County Courts shall yearly in June Court inquire by a Jury of good and lawful Men to be summoned out of the several Hundreds of the County not under the number of twelve, who upon their oaths shall inquire the form of which oath is hereby expressed, viz. Whether the Orphans be kept, maintained & educated according to their estates, & whether apprentices yearly are taught their trade or rigorously used and turned to common labour at the Ax and Hoe instead of learning their Trades, and if they find that Orphans are not maintained and educated according to their Estates, or Apprentices neglected to be taught their Trades upon pretence that the last year is enough to learn their trade, that they remove them to other guardians & masters respectively, and in case the Jury find that any apprentice is not taught his trade but put to other labour as aforesaid, the County Court shall condemn the Master of such apprentice to make the apprentice such satisfaction as in justice his years of labour at other work shall deserve, and five hundred pounds of tobacco to be paid to the said Orphan.

11. That the Justices of the County Court cause the conditions of the Bonds they take of guardians or trustees of Orphans estates be exactly drawn to the Act, and recorded in the County Court and the indentures for Apprentices likewise, that it may duly appear to the Judges whether Guardians Trustees and Masters do right and justice to Apprentices, and to the Country, that the Justices do right between them, and to that end that they cause the Clerk of their Court to present the Jury with a list of the Orphans and Apprentices of their County every June Court.

12. That no more be allowed to Guardians or Trustees for collecting debts due to Orphans than ten per cent the usual allowance to Administrators and Factors by the Merchants.

13. And further, in regard by the Judges or Commissary General for proving of Wills and granting Administrations Commission there is a saving to all persons of their right of appeal from the sentence of the said Judge to the chief Governor of this Province for the time being.

And it is further provided, that all and every person & persons appealing from the sentence of the said Judge, shall within fifteen days at the furthest after such sentence given enter his appeal before the said Governour, and within fifteen days more petition the Governour of this Province for the time being to examine the sentence of the said Judge, or appoint such other person or persons as he shall think fit to hear and determine the same, whose sentence shall be final, without other appeal, repeal or reversal. And for that divers Bonds have been taken by the several and respective County Courts of this Province in the name of the worshipful Commissioners of the County Court, or in some such other terms amounting thereunto, and for the relief of the several and respective Orphans in the several and respective Countys of this Province, with condition to pay to the said Commissioners or Justices of the Peace the respective sums of tobacco or money in the respective conditions contained in pursuance of this Act; when in truth the said Commissioners of the County Court are not fully sollicit nor capable of suing the said Bonds to and for the use of any Orphan within this Province.

And it is further provided by the Authority aforesaid, that all Bonds so as before taken, to and for the use of any Orphans in this Province in pursuance of this Act, shall be

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