

or the first Vestry Man, who is hereby likewise required and impowered to Administer the same: And each person so elected and chosen, shall likewise subscribe the Test, and also the Association; and having so done, and not before, shall be deemed and taken as one of the Vestry to all intents and purposes.

And it is hereby further Ordained and Enacted, by the Consent and Authority aforesaid, That two new Vestry-Men shall be Annually chosen in the Place of two others, who shall be left out; to which purpose all the Inhabitants of every Parish, being Freeholders within the same Parish, and contributing to the publick Taxes and Charges thereof, or such of them as shall think fit to attend, shall repair to their respective Parish Churches every Year successively, upon *Easter Monday*, and there, by their free Choice, declare what two persons shall be discharged from their being Vestry Men, and chuse two others qualified according to this present Act, in their stead and room, who taking the Oaths, and performing all other things required by this present Act, or other the Laws of this Province for Vestry Men, shall be deemed and taken to be Members of the said Vestry to all intents and purposes: *Provided always*, That in every Parish where any Minister or Incumbent is or shall be lawfully, according to the Laws and Usages of this Province, appointed, and in Possession of any Living, invested with the Forty pounds per Poll, and residing therein, he shall, during the Continuance aforesaid, and no longer, be one of the Vestry of such Parish, and principal of such Vestry, although there be the Number of Six Persons or more besides: And for keeping a fair Register of all such Vestry's Proceedings, and for Registering of all Births, Marriages and Burials, in each respective Parish; *Be it Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid*, That each Vestry shall, and is hereby Obligated, to provide a fit Person for a Register, who shall at all Times, keep a true and fair Registry of the several proceedings, of such Vestry from Time to Time in executing their Trust and Authority, and make just and true Entries thereof, which Persons so to be appointed for keeping such Registry, shall take Oaths substituted in the Place of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, and subscribe the Test and Association, and also an Oath to be given him by the said Vestry, which Oath the said Vestry are hereby Impowered to Administer accordingly, for the Due and Faithful Executing his said Office, before he shall be admitted into the said Office; and shall make true Entry of all Vestry Proceedings, and of all *Births, Marriages and Burials* (Negroes and Mulatoes excepted) that is to say, the Christian and Sir-Name, with the Day, Month and Year of every such Births, Marriages or Burials; to which purpose, all and every the Inhabitants of each Parish that are either Parents, Guardians, Overseers, Master, or Mistresses of any person Born, Married or Buried, are hereby enjoined and required to give Notice to the Register of such Parish within two Months after such Birth, Marriage and Burial, and pay him Six-pence for entering it at the time of giving Notice aforesaid, under the Penalty of One Hundred Pounds of Tobacco to be Forfeited by such Inhabitant aforesaid, refusing or Neglecting as aforesaid; and under the Penalty of One Hundred pounds of Tobacco, to be forfeited by such Register Refusing or Neglecting to Enter it, having received his Fee for the same: And such Register is hereby obliged to shew any person or persons reasonably desiring it, any such Register or give a Certificate of any Register of Births, Marriages or Burials, that shall be Reasonably required of him, and shall have for his Fees from such persons Six-pence for any Search, and Six-pence for any Copy or Certificate given as aforesaid, and no more, hereby Ratifying and Confirming

Two new Vestry-men yearly.

Minister the Chief Vestry-man.

The Vestry to provide a fit Person for their Register.

His Duty.

His Fees.

Penalty.