

all which Forfeitures and Penalties relating to Drunkenness shall be collected, levied, or inflicted after the same Manner, and applied to the same Uses as before directed in the Case of Profane Cursing or Swearing.

A N D be it further Enacted, That this Act shall be publickly read Four Times in the Year in all Parish-Churches and all publick Chapels, by the Rector, Vicar, Curate, or Reader of the respective Parishes or Chapels, immediately after Morning Prayer, on Four several *Sundays*, that is to say; On some One *Sunday* in *June*, in *September*, in *December*, and in *March*, under the Pain of One thousand Pounds of Tobacco for every such Neglect or Omission; the one Half to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, towards the Defraying the Charge of such Parish where such Omission shall be made, the other to the Informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered in any County Court where the same shall arise, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law to be allowed.

A N D be it further Enacted, That the several Officers, or others in this Act mentioned, who shall receive any the Fines or Forfeitures aforesaid, shall Yearly account for and pay the same to the respective Vestry, and County Courts, at the Time of their laying the County Levy, to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, for the Uses aforesaid, on Pain of forfeiting Double the Sum so by such Officer or Person received, and not accounted for and paid, as aforesaid, to be levied as the Justices of such County Court shall direct.

A N D forasmuch as there is but little Money in the several Counties of this Province, and that it will be extremely difficult to levy and collect the Fines imposed by this Act; For the greater Ease of the Magistrates, or other Officers obliged to execute the Power and Authority herein contained, It shall and may be lawful for such Magistrate, or other Officer, as aforesaid, where Money is not to be had, and the Persons forfeiting the same are Frecholders or settled Residents within any County in this Province, at their Discretion, either to levy the same, according to the Directions of this Act, or otherwise keep a fair Account of such Offender's Offences, and Fines thereupon arising, and return the same Yearly to the County Justices at *November* Court under such Magistrates or Officers Hand and Seal, of which Account the said County Courts shall cause their Clerks to give a fair Copy to the Sheriff of the County, in order to collect such Fines and Forfeitures; and on Refusal of Payment thereof, the Sheriff is hereby empowered to levy the same by way of Execution in Tobacco, at One Penny *per* Pound, and in such Manner as the Publick and County Levies of this Province are, and have usually been levied and collected, and render Account thereof to the Justices of the respective County Courts, to be applied to the Uses aforesaid.

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