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Parish Charges to be defrayed.

That if the Parish shall require Repairs or Supplies, at the Request of the Vestry, the Justices may raise by Assessment such Sums as shall be thought necessary, not exceeding Ten Pounds per Poll.

The same to be gathered by the Sheriff, at the rate of Five per Cent.

When no Minister, the Vestry shall keep an Account of Forty Pounds per Poll, levied in the Parish;

And this Ten Pounds.

And transmit the same yearly on the 10th of March, to the Governour and Council.

Penalty on the Vestrymen neglecting their Duty.

How to be recovered and disposed.

of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That when, and as often as the Necessity of each respective Parish shall require Repairs or Supplies, the Vestrymen and Churchwardens thereof shall apply themselves to the Justices of the County Courts, at the Time of the laying the County Levy, who upon the Necessity appearing to them, shall and are hereby impowered to raise by an equal Assessment by the Poll on the Inhabitants of such respective Parish, such Sums of Tobacco, as by the said Justices shall be adjudged necessary to supply the Occasions aforesaid, over and above the County Levy, not exceeding the Sum of Ten Pounds of Tobacco per Poll in one Year; which Sum so raised shall be collected and gathered by the Sheriff of the same County, and paid to the Vestrymen of such respective Parish or Parishes, at the rate of Five per Cent. for his Salary.

II. And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That where there is no Minister or Resident in the Parish, the Vestrymen of each respective Parish in this Province shall keep a fair Account of the Disposition of the Forty Pounds of Tobacco per Poll, levied in their Parish according to the Act, intituled, *An Act for Establishment of Religious Worship, &c.* and also of the Ten Pounds of Tobacco per Poll, to be levied and raised by vertue of this Act, and a true Copy thereof, under the Hands of such Principal Vestryman, or four of his Brethren of longest standing, shall yearly and every Year be transmitted to the Governour and Council of this Province, before the tenth Day of March, for their Inspection.

III. And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That if the Principal Vestryman and four of his Brethren shall neglect to transmit a Copy of such Account as aforesaid, before the tenth Day of March aforesaid, yearly and every Year, they shall forfeit and pay to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, her Heirs and Successors, the Sum of One thousand Pounds of Tobacco, one Half to her Majesty, for Support of Government, the other Half to the Informer, or him or them that will sue for the same, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, in any Court of Record of this Province, wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law to be allowed.

At an Assembly begun
September the 5th, 1704.