

Records in, of, and belonging thereto; for the Redress and Relief whereof, It is humbly prayed that it may be Enacted,

*And be it Enacted, by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of Her Majesty's Governour, Council and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same,* That it shall and may be lawful to his Excellency, Her Majesty's Governour of this Province, for the Time being, by Commission under the great Seal of this Province, to authorize, appoint and commissionate Seven (or more) discreet and sober Persons, whereof any three or more of them, from time to time, to hear and determine all Differences, Claims and Demands whatsoever, between any the Inhabitants or other Persons interested in the Lands lying within the County aforesaid, at such Places within the said County, as they, or any Three or more of them, shall think fit, from Time to Time, with or without any Adjournment, summarily, and without the Formality and Proceedings in Courts of Law or Equity, either upon the Verdict or Inquisition of Jurors, Testimony of Witnesses upon Oath, Examination of Parties interested, or by all or any the said Ways (or otherwise according to their Discretions;) and that the Judgment or Sentence of the said Commissioners, or any Three (or more) of them, as aforesaid, shall be final between the said Parties, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns; and all claiming by, from or under them, touching the Matters and Decrees to be made by the said Commissioners by this present Act thereunto authorized, or any Three (or more) of them, the said Commissioners always giving timely Notice, of not less than Sixteen Days, of the Time and Place of their Sitting, saving the Right of all Persons under Age, *non sane Memoriae*, *Feme Coverts* and Persons *non Resident* within this Province, during such Time as they shall continue so, who shall and are hereby allowed to prosecute their Claims within Twelve Months after such Disability remov'd: And unless any Party dissatisfied with such Sentence, shall appeal therefrom within Thirty Days, to such Commissioners as His Excellency, the Governour, (for the Time being) is hereby empowered to authorize and appoint by his Commission, for that Purpose, under the great Seal of this Province, not exceeding Five in Number, whereof the major Part of all such Commissioners as meet, or Two in case only Three meet, shall finally determine thereon, in Manner aforesaid, without any further Appeal or Review.

Commissioners are appointed to receive all Suits, &c.

Whose Sentence shall be final.

Due Notice of their sitting to be given.

A saving Right to Infants, Non-Residents, &c.

Any party dissatisfied, may appeal within 30 Days.

Commissioners Power to fine.

To issue Precepts for Re-surveys, &c. And to settle Fees for the several Services.

*And be it Enacted,* That the said Commissioners be, and are hereby empowered to commit and punish, by Fine not exceeding One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, all such Persons who shall disturb the Sitting of the said Commissioners, or wilfully refuse to give Evidence.

And further, for the better Discovery of Persons Rights to Lands claimed before the said Commissioners; the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, may and are empowered to issue Precepts to the Sheriff and Surveyor of the said County, to Re-survey and make Returns to the said Commissioners, pursuant to the Tenor of such Precepts and Warrants; which the said Sheriff and Surveyor shall, and are hereby obliged to execute, for such reasonable Fees as to the said Commissioners shall seem meet: And also, the said Commissioners may make and establish such reasonable Table of Fees to their Clerks whom they are to make choice of, with the Approbation of his Excellency, for the Writing and Recording of any Matters before them; and to the Sheriff of the