

At a Sessions of Assembly, begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, the Fourteenth Day of *May*, in the Fourth Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable *CHARLES* Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, Absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of *Maryland* and *Avalon*, &c. *Annoq; Domini*, 1719, The following Laws were Enacted.

A Supplementary ACT to the Act for Appointment of Constables, and what relates to their Office; and ascertaining what Persons are Taxables.

BE it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour, and Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That in case any Constable shall not pursue the Directions of the Act of Assembly (now in Force) relating to his Office, and of this Act, in the taking and returning of Taxables, such Constable shall be fined to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, in the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds of Tobacco for each Offence, One Half thereof to the Informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, and the other Half thereof for the Use of Free-Schools in such County where the Forfeiture shall happen to be recovered in such County Court, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Esloyn, Protection or Wager of Law to be allowed.

And be it further Enacted, That in case any Master, Mistress, Dame or other chief Person of the Family, shall conceal any Taxable, or not give a true Account thereof to such Constable, pursuant to the Directions of the Act aforesaid, that then such Person shall for every Taxable so concealed, or not given in as aforesaid, forfeit the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, in Manner aforesaid, to the Uses aforesaid, to be recovered as aforesaid.

And it is hereby declared, That no Person shall be taken as a Taxable that shall not be imported into this Province on or before the first Day of *June* for that Year.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That all Warrants issued by any Justice of Peace for the Recovery of small Debts, shall be directed to some Constable of a Hundred, appointed by the Courts, unless (at the Request of some Suitor) it be directed to some Friend who will serve it gratis: Such Suitor nevertheless being hereby made liable to pay the Constable of the Hundred where such Warrant is serv'd, his just Fee.

And be it further Enacted, That the Sheriff of each respective County is hereby obliged to return a true and fair Copy of the List of Taxables in his County, under his own Hand, Yearly into the Secretary's Office, by the Twentieth Day of *September*, on Pain of One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco for every Neglect; to be forfeited as aforesaid, to the Uses aforesaid, to be recovered as aforesaid.

And the better to enable the Sheriffs of the several Counties to return Copies of the List of Taxables in each County as aforesaid,

Constables neglecting their Duties requir'd by a former Act, to be fin'd.

All Masters, &c. of Families to give in their Taxables, or forfeit.

Sheriff required to give in a List of the Taxables.