

prescribed by Law, before one Provincial or County Justice, that he or she hath not, nor can reasonably procure the Specie due to the Creditor or any Part thereof, more than he or she is ready to pay.

And be it further Enacted, that where any Person shall be Executed for any Officers or Attorneys Fees, in Case such Person shall make Oath, or if a Quaker makes his Solemn Affirmation according to Law, that he hath not, nor can reasonably procure the Species due to such Officer, or any Part thereof, more than he is ready to pay, nor hath sufficient thereof to satisfy such Officers Fees at any Time, from the First Day of October then last past, except what has been taken from him for other Debts due by Execution; it shall and may be lawful for such Person to Pay and Discharge such Fees in the several Commodities aforesaid, at the Rates and in the Manner aforesaid.

Provided, such Debtor shall cause such Commodities to be delivered at such Officer's Dwelling-House, if in the County where such Creditor and Debtor both reside, or such other convenient Place within the same County where the Creditor, or (on his refusal) where the Sheriff shall direct, not being more inconvenient to the Debtor than the Sheriff's House; or if the Creditor and Debtor both live out of the same County, then such Tender and Payment to be made at the House of the Sheriff, or where the Sheriff shall appoint in the County, being equally convenient to the Debtor with the Sheriff's House.

Provided also, that any Person taking a false Oath or Test in any the Cases aforesaid, shall suffer as Persons convict of corrupt and wilful Perjury. This Act to endure for Three Years, and to the End of the next Sessions of Assembly after the Three Years.

Every Debtor thus discharging his Debt, must swear he cannot procure the Specie.

Officers and Attorneys Fees upon proper Oath made, may be paid in the Commodities aforesaid.

How to be delivered.

False Oath punishable.

An ACT directing how Fines shall be adjudged against such as neglect to appear at Musters.

BE it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That on Representation made by the Head Officer, that shall appear in the Field, at any Time appointed for a Muster, that any Persons, not exempt by Law, shall not have made their Appearance according to his Warning or Summons provided as the Laws of this Province direct: It shall and may be lawful for any two Field Officers of the Counties, to Summons the Delinquent or others concerned; and on hearing and fully examining into his Offence and Excuse, to cause him to be executed or excused, as shall be most just and most agreeable to the Intent of the Laws now in Force, for the better regulating the Militia. *Provided,* That in case any Person summoned to appear before such Field Officers shall not appear or otherwise excuse themselves, it shall be lawful for such Officers to judge their Case as on Default. *And be it further Enacted,* That an Act entituled, *An Act for ordering and regulating the Militia of this Province, for the better Defence and Security thereof,* made at a Sessions of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the Twenty Sixth Day of April, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifteen, is hereby revived and continued in full Force.

On Persons not appearing at Musters,

Two Field Officers may upon Examination, execute or excuse the Offender.

An Act for regulating the Militia, revived.

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