

to an Issue on the Country is to be pleaded, the Issues shall be made up and completed by the last Day of February next; and that all Declarations in Actions to be commenced in the Provincial Court shall be filed with the Clerk within Thirty Days after every Appearance-Court; and the Issue made up where the General Issue or other General Plea tending to an issue on the Country shall be pleaded, shall be made up within Thirty Days after the filing the Declaration: But where special Pleadings are necessary, the Court (upon Motion) may grant such Time as shall be thought reasonable: And that the Plaintiff in every Cause to be tried before the said Justices shall give the Defendant or his Attorney Notice Ten Days at least before the Beginning of the Assizes that the Tryal is to be in, of his Intention to insist on a Tryal; and that if after such Notice given, the Cause shall be delayed until another Assizes, the Party causing such Delay shall pay all the Cost and Charge that shall be occasioned thereby.

When Issues to be completed.

And be it Enacted, That the several Sheriffs shall summons Forty of the most capable and substantial Free-holders within their Bailiwicks, Twenty Days before the Assizes shall begin, to serve as Grand and Petit Jurors; and that every Free-holder that shall be so summoned, and shall neglect or refuse to appear, shall incur the same Penalties and Forfeitures as Jurors summoned to the Provincial Court are liable to; and that no Person that is not incapable or disqualified by Law to serve as a Juror, shall have any Exemption, except Councillors, Clergymen, Assembly-Men, Magistrates and Constables; and that every Grand-Jury shall have an Allowance not exceeding Four Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, and every Petit-Juror Fifteen Pounds of Tobacco for every Days Attendance, besides the lawful Fees for Verdicts in civil Cases; to be assessed in the County Levy as usual.

Sheriff to summons Forty Freeholders for Jurymen. Who must appear, or forfeit.

Persons excepted.

Juries Allowances.

And be it Enacted, That the Two Justices of Assize shall be allowed by the Publick, Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco each of them, to be paid in the Counties respectively where they reside, for every Circuit, and no more; and such of the County Justices as they shall associate with them, the same as they are allowed for sitting in the County-Courts

Justices Allowance.

And be it Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices to make all such Rules and Orders as may be convenient and necessary for the Furtherance of Justice and Right, and to impose reasonable Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties upon such as shall transgress them.

Penalties on Persons transgressing their Orders.

Provided always, That such Rules and Orders shall be agreeable to the Laws of England and this Province. And that all Sheriffs, Bailiffs and other Officers and Persons whatsoever, shall yield due Obedience to all Process, Warrants and Precepts, that shall be issued by, or returnable to the said Justices.

Provided, &c.

All persons to be obedient.

And be it Enacted, That the next Provincial-Court shall begin the Third Tuesday of May which shall be in the Year of our Lord Seventeen Hundred and Twenty Four, and not before; and that all Actions now depending in that Court of what Nature soever, shall be and are by this Act continued until the Third Tuesday in May; and that all Writs, Process and Precepts already issued, or to be issued out of the Provincial Court, returnable to the next Court, shall be returnable to the said Third Tuesday of May; and that all Sheriffs, Coroners and other Officers that have arrested or shall arrest any Person or Persons by Virtue of

The next Provincial Court rem'd to May and all Actions depending thereon.