

Party grieved, if he brings an Action of Assault and Battery, shall and may recover treble Damages and full Costs.

If any Person shall be sued or impleaded for any thing to be done in Execution of this Act, the Defendant may plead the General Issue, and give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence, and if a Verdict be given for the Defendant, or the Plaintiff be nonsuit or discontinues his Action, the Defendant shall have and recover treble Costs.

No Person whatsoever shall work or do any bodily Labour on the Lords Day, commonly called Sunday; and no Person having Children, Servants or Slaves, shall command, or wittingly or willingly suffer any of them to do any manner of Work or Labour on the Lords Day, (Works of Necessity and Charity always excepted) nor shall suffer or permit any Children, Servants or Slaves to profane the Lords Day by Gaming, Fishing, Fowling, Hunting or unlawful Pastimes or Recreations; and every Person transgressing this Act and being thereof convicted, by the Oath of One sufficient Witness, or Confession, before a single Magistrate, shall forfeit *Two Hundred Pounds* of Tobacco, to be levied and applied as above.

No Housekeeper shall sell any strong Liquor on Sunday, (except in cases of absolute Necessity) or suffer any Drunkenness, Gaming or unlawful Sports and Recreations in his or her House, on pain of forfeiting *Two Thousand Pounds* of Tobacco, the one half to the Uses aforesaid, and the other half to the Informer or Suer.

EVERY Parish Clerk shall procure a Copy of this Act, which the County Clerks are required to suffer them to take, without Fee or Reward, for which the Parish Clerk shall be allowed *Fifty Pounds* of Tobacco; and the same shall be read four times each Year, viz. on some Sunday in March, June, September and December, by every Minister in their respective Parish Churches, between divine Service and Sermon, on pain of forfeiting *One Thousand Pounds* of Tobacco, for every Omission; one half to be applied to the Uses aforesaid, and the other half to the Informer or Suer.

ALL Informations for Blasphemy and Sabbath-breaking, shall be made within One Month after the Fact; and all Prosecutions and Informations for Swearing, Cursing, Drunkenness and Omission to punish the same, shall be made within Ten Days after the Fact, and all Prosecutions, for not reading this Act, and for selling Liquors and suffering Drunkenness and Gaming on the Sabbath Day, shall be commenced within Six Months after such Omission and not after.

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