

2. Persons drunk in presence of any of the persons aforesaid, or thereof convict, shall be fined 5s. for every offence.—*ibid.* § 3.

3. If the said fines be not immediately paid on conviction, the magistrate, or other officer aforesaid, shall order the offender (not being a freeholder or other reputable person) to be whipped or put in the stocks, (but no offender shall receive more than 39 lashes, or be kept in the stocks above three hours, upon any one conviction) and may appoint any person not being legally exempted, as a constable, to punish the offender; which person refusing to act, shall forfeit 10s. currency.—*ibid.* § 4. 5.

4. All such convictions of freeholders, or other reputable persons, not having money to pay the fines, shall be certified by the magistrate or other officer, to the county clerk, who shall make out lists thereof, with the county levy, to the sheriff, under the county seal, who shall levy the same by way of execution, in the same manner as public dues.—*ibid.* § 4.

5. Every magistrate, or other officer, appointed to put this act in execution, being themselves guilty of cursing, swearing, or drunkenness, or omitting to punish others according to law, shall, on conviction before any other magistrate or officer above mentioned, forfeit 10s. current money, to be levied and applied as aforesaid.—*ibid.* § 6.

6. Every offender reviling any magistrate or other officer in the execution of this act, shall give security in the sum of 1l. currency for his good behaviour for three months, or suffer one month's imprisonment without bail.—*ibid.* § 7.

7. Any magistrate or other person, assaulted or beaten in the execution of this act, on bringing an action of assault, &c. shall recover treble damages and full costs.—*ibid.* § 8.

8. Persons sued for any thing done in execution of this act, may plead the general issue; and on verdict in their favour, or nonsuit of the plaintiff, shall have treble costs.—*ibid.* § 9.

9. Prosecutions and informations for cursing, swearing, drunkenness, and omission to punish the same, shall be made within ten days after the fact, and not afterwards.—*ibid.* § 13.

## DEBTS PRIVATE.

1. **D**EBTS contracted within the province, by bankrupts in *England*, how to be secured.—See *Bankrupts*.

2. For the speedy recovery of debts in the general court, see *advancement of justice*, 3.

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