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bill of indictment upon the said presentment, and the party therein presented traverses such presentment, or bill of indictment, and puts himself upon the country for trial thereof, then the clerk of the indictments shall have two hundred pounds of tobacco for his fee, and no more.

Attornies fees
limited, &c.

VII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That from and after the end of this present session of assembly, there shall be paid to any attorney or other person practising the law in any of the county courts of this province, for bringing, prosecuting or defending any action, of what nature or quality soever, to final judgment, agreement, or other end thereof, the sum of one hundred pounds of tobacco, unless the principal debt and damage, or balance of any debt and damages sued for and recovered, do exceed the sum of two thousand pounds of tobacco, or ten pounds sterling, that then the said attorney shall have two hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more; and to any attorney, or other person practising the law in the provincial court, high court of chancery, commissary's court, court of vice-admiralty, or for prosecuting or defending any appeals, writs of error, or any other matter or thing whatsoever, before his excellency the governor and council, the several sums hereafter expressed and set down; that is to say, for prosecuting or defending any cause, plaint or action, of what nature soever, in the provincial court, to final judgment, agreement, or other end thereof, the sum of four hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more; for any fee in the high court of chancery, and court of vice-admiralty, six hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more; for any fee in the commissary's court, four hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more; for any fee upon any writ of error, or appeal which shall be before his excellency the governor and council, six hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more; and to his majesty's attorney-general, for any action in the provincial court, at the suit of his majesty, indictment, presentment or information, the sum of four hundred pounds of tobacco, and no more, any law, statute or custom to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Penalty for ask-
ing more, &c.

VIII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That if any attorney, or other person practising the law in any of the aforesaid courts, do presume to ask, receive, take or demand, any greater or larger fee than before by this act appointed, and be thereof legally convicted, he shall be incapable to practise the law in any court of this province for the future.

Specialties to
be endorsed,
&c.

IX. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That all bills, bonds or other specialties, taken by any attorney, or other person practising the law in any of the aforesaid courts, or any bills, bonds or other specialties, taken by any of the clerks of any court of this province, from and after the end of this session of assembly, shall be endorsed on the backside thereof, for what matter, or how the same did become due; and for default thereof, all such bills, bonds and specialties, shall be void, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Attornies fees
to be on execu-
tion, &c.

X. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That the fee and fees herein before allowed to be taken by any attorney, or other person practising the law in any of the aforesaid courts, shall be levied by way of execution, in such manner and form as other officers fees are or have been levied; and all and every the sheriffs of the several counties of this province are hereby obliged, authorised and empowered, to levy and execute the same accordingly, any law, statute or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

No clerk to de-
liver blank
writs, &c.

XI. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That no clerks of any courts within this province shall, after the end of this present session of assembly, deliver to any attorney, sheriff or other person, any blank writ or writs whatsoever, on penalty of six thousand pounds of tobacco, one half to his majesty, his heirs and successors, toward the support of government in this province, the other half to the informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered by action of debt, wherein no essoin, protection or wager of law to be allowed.

No attorney to
practise with-
out being ad-
mitted, &c.

XII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That from and after the end of this present session of assembly, no attorney, or other person whatsoever, shall practise the law in any of the courts of this province, without being admitted thereto by the justices of the several courts, who are hereby empowered to admit and suspend them (*salvo jure coronae*) until his majesty's pleasure shall be known therein; but any attorney, or any other person practising the law in this province, or the plaintiff that shall sue in any county court where he does not reside, shall be obliged to give security for the payment of all the officers fees that shall accrue upon any suit by him to be commenced, either at the time of the issuing of the writ in the action, or during the continuance of the court to which such writ shall be returned, on pain of paying such fees himself, or suffering his client to be non-suited, in default of such security to be given, or of such attorney signifying his