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Shall be tried by the said Court and all capitall
Crimes of treason or felonies shall (upon an indictment
by a Grand Inquest) be tryed by a Jury of twelve free
men to be returned by the Sheriff And any Lord
of a Mannour indicted of any capitall offence Shall
be tryed by the said Lieutenant Generall and by
twelve or more Lords of Mannours (if there be so
many within the County capable of such a charge)
or in default of so many Lords of Mannours then
by so many Lords of mannours and freeholders of
the County (to be returned by the Sheriff) as shall
make up the number of twelve at the least And the
said Lords of Mannours and freeholders compon
ed shall be called and judged his peers and con
viction shall be by the said Lieutenant Generall
and the said Peeres or the major part of them
agreeing in their verdict and such Judgment
shall be given in all crimes and offences whatsoever
capitall within this Province as is most agreea
ble to the Laws of this Province and such judgment
shall be given in all enormous offences as the said
Lord Proprietarie or his Lieutenant Generall
and Council or the major part of them sitting
in Court shall thinke the misdemeanour offence
or contempt to deserve for correction of the deliquent
or recompence of the partie grieved (so that it
extend not to the taking away of Life or member
and so that no fine (to the use of the Lord Propri
etarie) Shall be levied upon judgment given
in this Court to above the fourth part of the clear
personall Estate of the partie concerned or of the
Value thereof according to a true and perfect In
ventory thereof to be made and appraised upon
Oath by two Freemen of the County indifferently
chosen by the Sheriff and entered in the Record of
the said Court This Act to continue to the end of the
next generall Assembly