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Incouragement of offenders for prevention whereof for the future

Be it Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary by and with the advice and consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly & the authority of the same that from hence forward no person either Sheriff or Goaler shall charge either their own County to which they do belong or the publick with any fees for any Ciminal committed to his or their charge having a sufficient Estate in this Province where with to pay the same or being Capable to make satisfaction for the same by servitude or otherwise but that such Ciminals as aforesaid being discharged by order of Court of Law shall pay his own fees to the Sheriff Goaler according to act of Assembly either out of his said Estate or by servitude or otherwise whatsover & the said Sheriff or Goaler shall not demand of such Ciminal so discharged by order as aforesaid any fee for anything after the said order made unless the party so freed as aforesaid shall delay payment of such fees by servitude or otherwise

Provided all wayes that this act shall not extend to Malefactors which are executed or to such other persons who are banished having no Estate in the Province or Servants Ciminals in all which cases the Sheriff or Goaler shall recover and be paid such fees by the County where the fact was committed and the Ciminal resided or by the whole County at the discretion of the Justices of the Provinciaall Court

And Be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid that all & every servant Ciminal for whom the County shall pay the fees due to the Sheriff as aforesaid shall after the end and expiration of his time of servitude due to his master satisfy unto the Commissioners of the County who paid such his fees for him to the Sheriff as aforesaid for the use of such County such sume as they have paid as aforesaid and the severall Commissioners of the severall Counties shall and are hereby Impowered to make inquisition after all such servants Ciminals for whom the County hath defrayed the said fees to the Sheriff