

(oftentimes) very much abused and wrongd. Be it therefore  
 Enacted by the R<sup>t</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>r</sup>, by and with  
 y<sup>e</sup> Advice & consent of the upper & lower houses of this present  
 gen<sup>l</sup> Assembly, that from and after y<sup>e</sup> Publication hereof  
 every Constable within this Province, shall (between the  
 20<sup>th</sup> Day of June, & the last day of July) repair, in person,  
 to every respective house, or habitation within his hundred,  
 and there enquire of the master, Dame, or other chiefe  
 person in the family, what number of Taxable persons  
 they and every of them have within their respective families:  
 and after such enquiry made, a true & fair List shall  
 Returne of all y<sup>e</sup> every Taxable persons within his hundred  
 as afores<sup>d</sup>, under his hand, unto the Sheriffe of y<sup>e</sup> County:  
 and another fair List thereof, under his hand, such Constables  
 shall present, at y<sup>e</sup> next County Court, there to be sett up.

And in case any master, Dame, or other chief person in  
 a family shall refuse or deny to give an am<sup>t</sup>. of the taxable  
 persons in their families; or, upon their am<sup>t</sup>., shall conceal  
 any taxable person or persons in his or their families, or  
 and not give a true am<sup>t</sup>. of them to y<sup>e</sup> Constable, shall,  
 for every such offence, & for every person taxable so by  
 him concealed forfeit and pay double the Levy or Levies  
 of such person or persons by him or them concealed: and every  
 Constable, neglecting his office herein, shall forfeit and pay  
 y<sup>e</sup> sum<sup>e</sup> of 500<sup>l</sup> of Tobac. for every such offence; such forfeitures  
 & fines to be Levied by the Justices of the respective County  
 Courts where such Constables and Inhabitants doe dwell,  
 & by them to be disposed of for y<sup>e</sup> use of the respective  
 Counties, as y<sup>e</sup> sd. Justices shall think fitt.

And to y<sup>e</sup> end that no person, for the future, may  
 be ignorant, what persons are Taxable, and what not,  
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