

or the said Tobacco have been seized and received by the Sheriffs  
either for fines or levies or hath been paid away to Merchants or  
others and by them marked and received whereby the publick have been  
much abused and wronged and many private persons have received  
great Damages in their said Goods. Be it therefore Enacted  
By the King and Queens most Excellent Majesties by and with the  
Advice and Consent of this present Generall Assembly and the au-  
thority of the Same That what person soever shall dispose of any  
Tobacco or other Goods seized on and received by the Sheriffs for fines or  
levies or other publick Officers fees or that shall alter or scratch out  
the mark of any Tobacco so received or shall alter or change the  
Quality of Tobacco so received or by any Merchant or others doe  
either by uncausing or otherwise without any Lawfull Order or Warr-  
t in writting under the hand of such Sheriffs who rec<sup>d</sup> the Same or  
of such Merchant or other person who had rec<sup>d</sup> and marked the  
Same or for whose use the Same was rec<sup>d</sup> and marked shall be  
Liable being convicted by Confession or sufficient Witness in some  
Court of this province to restore four fold to the party grieved and stand  
in the pillory two full hours during the Court time with his Offence  
fairly written in a piece of paper and placed upon his Back  
Provided That no person shall be Impleaded or prosecuted upon  
this Act after three Years from the time that the fact shall be  
Committed

An Act for Appointing Coroners in each  
Respective County.

Whereas