

Pounds current Money; and if any Minister shall marry any Person without such Licence or Publication as aforesaid, he shall forfeit five hundred Pounds current Money; and if any Minister shall go out of the County where he resides, and there join together in Matrimony any Persons belonging to this State, and if any Minister shall go out of this State, and there celebrate the Rites of Marriage between any Persons belonging to this State, without such Licence or Publication as above prescribed, he shall forfeit and pay five hundred Pounds current Money.

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VI. And be it enacted, That if any Person belonging to this State shall go out of this State, and there marry with any Person belonging to this State, contrary to this Act, each of the said Parties shall be liable to the same Punishment or Penalty as if the Offence had been committed within this State.

Persons marrying out of this State to be liable to the same Penalties as if within it.

VII. And be it enacted, That every Parish Church or Chapel belonging to the Church of England, and every Meeting House, Romish Chapel, or other House of religious Worship, belonging to and used by any Sect or Denomination of Christians, shall be recorded in the Records of the County Court of the County wherein such Church, Chapel, or House of Worship shall be, and none shall be esteemed as such for the Publication of Marriage agreeable to this Act unless recorded as aforesaid.

Places of Worship to be recorded, &c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every Minister celebrating a Marriage by Licence as aforesaid, shall annually in the Month of November return on Oath a List of the Names of the Persons and the Time when married to the Treasurer of his Shire, under the Penalty of two hundred Pounds current Money.

Ministers to return a List of Marriages annually to the Treasurer.

IX. And be it enacted, That if any Minister shall join in Marriage any Male under the Age of twenty-one Years, or any Female under the Age of sixteen Years, and not before married, without the Consent of the Parent or Guardian of every such Person, personally given, or signified under the Hand and Seal of the said Parent or Guardian and attested by two Witnesses, he shall forfeit and pay five hundred Pounds current Money.

Penalty on Ministers marrying Persons under Age.

X. And be it enacted, That where any Parish or Parishes have not a Minister officiating therein, it shall and may be lawful for the Reader or the Clerk of such Parish or Congregation to publish the Banns of Matrimony.

Reader may publish the Banns where there is no Minister.

XI. And be it enacted, That if any Minister shall wilfully publish the Banns of Marriage between any Servants, or between a free Person and a Servant, or if he shall wilfully celebrate the Rites of Matrimony between any such, without Leave of the Master or Mistress of such Servant, he shall forfeit and pay for every Offence fifty Pounds current Money.

Penalty on Ministers marrying Servants, &c.

XII. And be it enacted, That all Licences for Marriage shall be issued by the Clerk of the Court of that County where the Woman shall have her usual Residence, under the Seal of his County, in the following Form, to wit.

County Clerk to issue Licences, &c.

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