

every neglect or refusal) take the following oath, under the penalty of twenty pounds for every refusal or neglect, viz. "You, A. B. do swear, that you will not, for lucre or malice, delay any person or persons applying to you for any business belonging to the office you officiate in; and that you will not, directly or indirectly, ask, take, exact, extort, demand, or receive from, or charge to, any such person or persons, to your own use, any fee or reward whatsoever, for any services you shall do as deputy or clerk of the said office; and also that in making out of the office fees, you will not, wittingly or willingly, charge other or higher fees than limited by the act, entitled, An act for the regulation of officers fees; and that you will not, in charging or making out any of the said fees, charge or make out any fee in any case whatever, unless the service annexed to such fee, by the act aforesaid is actually, really, and *bona fide*, done." Which said oaths before mentioned shall be severally returned by the judge, justice, or alderman, before whom the same shall be taken, to the general court or county offices, as the case shall require, within twenty days after the taking thereof, under the penalty of five pounds for every neglect, and shall be there recorded by the clerk of such court, under the penalty of five pounds for every neglect.

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Oath of deputies,  
&c.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That in all actions or suits brought or prosecuted, or hereafter to be brought or prosecuted, in any of the courts in this state, and the same are or shall be entered, agreed, struck off, discontinued, or abated, or shall be otherwise ended, before final judgment or final decree, the proceedings shall not be recorded, unless at the request of the plaintiff, or defendant, or his agent, or attorney, signified in writing, directed to the clerk of the said courts respectively; and if the same proceedings be recorded without such request, no fees whatever shall be payable for such service; and all officers mentioned by this act shall be obliged to set up in the most public place of his office, and there constantly keep, a fair table of the fees rated and established by this act, under the penalty of twenty pounds for every month he shall neglect to do the same.

Actions ended  
before judgment  
not to be recorded,  
&c.

XIX. And be it enacted, That no officer herein before mentioned, under the penalty of one hundred pounds for every offence, shall send out his fees on execution but once in every year, between the first day of December and the tenth day of January, during the continuance of this act; and the party charged, his body, goods or chattels, shall not be executed for any of the aforesaid fees, unless his account of such fees be delivered to him, or left at his last place of abode, on or before the last day of February in any year the said fees shall be sent out or demanded.

Fees on execution  
to be sent out but  
once a year,  
&c.

XX. And be it enacted, That where any surveyor returns a certificate for the examination of the examiner-general, and the same shall be by him found erroneous, in such case the party, for whose use such survey is made, shall not be burthened with any fees on such erroneous certificate, either by the examiner-general or surveyor, but the surveyor returning such erroneous certificate shall pay the examiner-general, for his trouble in examining the same, such fees as by this act are allowed to the examiner-general.

Surveyor not  
to be paid for  
erroneous certificates,  
&c.

XXI. And