

the honourable the Lieutenant General, chief Justice thereof by virtue
 of which he did appoint attorneys & other officers of the said Court but
 by reason that the said Fees due to the Attorneys was settled by Act of
 Assembly in the Secretary so that they could not settle the fees of the
 Attorneys till that Act of Assembly was taken out of the way which
 could not be till an Assembly could be called gave Liberty to the
 Attorneys to proceed as they had done formerly in taking such Fees
 as they and their Clients should agree for and as to that of the Agreement
 in gross with any person for a year with such who desired the same.
 It is well known to this honourable House that it is a thing practiced in
 England and lawful to be practiced here being no Law to prohibit the
 same and the said John Morecroft further saith that he was Attorney
 for the said Tobias Wells in an Action of Debt brought by him the said
 Tobias against Jⁿ. Wright & Mary his Wife Admin^{rs} of the Goods and
 Chattles of Bartholomew Glevin dec^d. in which Cause Judgment was obtained
 by the said Wells ag^t the Estate of the said Bartholomew in the hands
 of them not administered and Execution out of the Secretary's office
 for the same which Execution the said Tobias kept in his pocket, two
 or three months & did not serve it during which time the said John
 Wright produced his Action into the Secretary's Office & that he had
 payed as far as Assets, the next Court setting up his name in the Court
 house and having paid as far as he had Assets & having fully admini-
 strated prayed a Quietwest as is usual in this Province at which
 Court the said Tobias was present & might have underwrit if he had
 pleased but did not whereupon the said John Wright & Mary
 his Wife had their Quietwest after which he the said Tobias
 contriving with the Sheriff of the Isle of Kent who lived in
 his House served the Execution upon certain Negroes of the said
 Jⁿ. Wrights which was not lawfull for him then to do, but ought
 to have brought his Writ of Devastavit against the said Wrights
 if he could prove any wasting made by him of the Estate of the
 said Bartholomew upon which illegal proceeding in serving the
 Execution after the said John Wright & Mary his Wife having
 obtained their Quietwest, by which it appeared that they had fully
 administered & no Assets in their hands He the said Wright
 coming to the Office at St. Marys and Complaining of the illegal
 Proceedings of the said Tobias in the serving the said Execution
 the said Jⁿ. Morecroft did sue forth a Writ of Trepass for the
 unjust taking & withholding the Goods of the said Jⁿ. Wright, in
 there was a sole property of the said Goods, in which Writ it was
 also Comanded to the Sheriff to require the said Tobias to be o^r
 the Justices of the Lord Proprietary of this Provincial Court
 at St. Marys, at his next Provincial Court held at St. Marys, 10