

any Popish Priest or Jesuit, within the said Province, on the said first Day of October, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty One, and that without Favour, Affection, Fraud, or Covin, and to the utmost of your Power, and cause Entry to be made thereof in the Book of Records, by you and the other Commissioners to be kept, as also the Evidence which you shall receive to prove the same; and further, that you will make the most in your Power by the Sale of such Lands and Tenements as shall come to your Hands, in Virtue of the said Act, for the Uses of the same Act: So help you God." And that the Clerk to the said Commissioners shall take the several Oaths to the Government, by Law prescribed, and repeat and sign the Test, and take the following Oath of Office, before some Provincial Justice, viz. "You A. B. as Clerk to the Commissioners, appointed by Act of Assembly, entituled, An Act for the Security of his Majesty's Dominion, and to prevent the Growth of Popery within this Province, shall and will, in every Respect, as Clerk, make true Entries, as you shall be ordered and intrusted by the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, and their Secrets you will keep, and in every other Respect behave as becometh an able and faithful Clerk and Servant in your said Office: So help you God."

AND it is hereby further Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall and may meet and adjourn at the said City of Annapolis from Time to Time, and proceed to take Depositions of any Person or Persons to the Purposes of this Act, in Order to make the best and fullest Discovery of all Lands and Tenements belonging to Popish Priests or Jesuits within this Province, and shall and may issue Summons, under the Seal of their Office, attested by the Clerk of the said Commissioners, to any Person or Persons, to appear before them, at such Time and Place as to them shall seem meet and fitting, and all Sheriffs and their Deputies, Coroners and Constables, within this Province, are hereby ordered and directed to serve and return such Summons, as shall be by them issued, and otherwise to be aiding and assisting, to the said Commissioners, in the Execution of their Office, and for any Neglect in such Sheriffs, or their Deputies, or Coroners, or Constables, or any Witness, or Witnesses, not attending after being summoned, they shall and are hereby made liable to any Fine which shall be imposed by the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, not exceeding the Sum of Five Pounds Current Money, for any one Offence, to be recovered by Bill, Plaint, or Information, in the County Court where the Offender shall reside, wherein no Effoin, Protection, Wager of Law, or more than one Imparlance shall be allowed, and applied towards the Discharge of the Execution of this Act, of which the Clerk of the said Commissioners shall keep an Account; and the several and respective Sheriffs of this