

To these Grievances are added,

Excessive Officers Fees, and that too under Execution, directly against the Law made and provided to redress the same; wherein there is no probability of a Legal Remedy (the Officers themselves that are Parties, and culpable) being Judges.

The like Excessive Fees imposed upon, and extorted from *Masters* and *Owners* of *Vessels*, Trading into this *Province*, without any Law to Justifie the same, and directly against the plain Words of the *Charter*, that say, there shall be no Imposition or Assessment, without the Consent of the *Freemen* in the *Assembly*: To the great *Obstruction* of *Trade*, and Prejudice of the *Inhabitants*.

The like excessive Fees Imposed upon, and extorted from the *Owners* of *Vessels* that are Built here, or do really belong to the *Inhabitants*; contrary to an *Act of Assembly*, made and provided for the same: Wherein, *Moderate and Reasonable Fees* are ascertained, for the *Promoting and Encouragement* of *Shipping and Navigation* amongst our selves.

The frequent Pressing of *Men, Horses, Boats, Provisions*, and other *Necessaries*, in time of *Peace*; and often to gratifie private *Designs*, and *Occasions*, to the great *Burthen* and *Regret* of the *Inhabitants*, contrary to *Law* and several *Acts of Assembly* in that Case made and provided.

The Seizing and Apprehending of *Protestants* in their Houses, with Armed Force consisting of *Papists*, and that in time of *Peace*; their hurrying them away to *Prisons* without Warrant or Cause of Commitment, there kept and Confined with *Papish* Guards, a long time without Trial.

Not only private but publick Outrages, and Murthers committed and done by *Papists* upon *Protestants* without any Redress, but rather connived at, and Tollerated by the chief in Authority; and indeed it were in vain to desire or expect any help or measures from them, being *Papists* and Guided by the Counsels and Instigations of the *Jesuits*, either in these or any other Grievances or Oppression. And yet these are the Men that are our Chief Judges, at the *Common Law*, in *Chancery*, of the Probat of Wills, and the Affairs of Administration, in the *Upper House* of *Assembly*, and the Chief Military Officer, and Commanders of our Forces; being still the same Individual Persons, in all these particular Qualifications and Places.

These and many more, even Infinite Pressures and Calamities, we
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