

sinking the Whole; *Be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid,* That all and every Person or Persons within this Province respectively, having any Estate in ready Money, or having any Estate in Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, or other Chattels, or Personal Estate whatsoever (Debts excepted) within this Province, belonging to or in Trust for them, shall yield and pay to the respective Collectors appointed by this Act, the Sum of One Shilling in the Pound, according to the true yearly Value thereof for One Year; That is to say, For every One Hundred Pounds of such ready Money, and for every One Hundred Pounds Worth of such Goods, Wares, Merchandizes, or other Chattels, or Personal Estate as aforesaid, as the same would sell for in ready Money, the Sum of Five Shillings, and so after that Rate for every greater or lesser Sum or Quantity, to be assessed, levied, and collected, in Manner hereafter mentioned; and that all and every Person or Persons, and all and every Commissioner and Commissioners within this Province, having, using or exercising any Public Office, Benefice, or Employment of Profit, within this Province, and all and every their Clerks, Agents, Substitutes, Deputies, and other inferior Ministers whatsoever (hired Clerks who do not act by Commission, in respect of the Wages they receive for their Hire, only excepted, and such Military Officers who shall be in Pay in his Majesty's Army, or in the Pay of this Province, in respect of such Offices *only* excepted) shall yield and pay unto the respective Collectors aforesaid, the Sum of One Shilling for every Twenty Shillings, or the Value thereof in any Species or Commodities whatever, which he or they do receive in One Year, by Virtue of any Salaries, Gratuities, Rewards, Fees, Profits, Perquisites, and Advantages whatsoever, to him or them accruing, for or by Reason or Occasion of such their several Offices, Benefices, or Employments; and that all and every Person or Persons within this Province, having any Annuity, Pension, Stipend, or other yearly Payment, payable or secured to be paid by any Person or Persons whatsoever in this Province (not being or issuing out of any Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, or chargeable upon the same, touching which other Directions are given by this Act) shall yield and pay unto the respective Collectors aforesaid, the Sum of One Shilling for every Twenty Shillings, or the Value thereof in any Species or Commodities whatever, which he, she, or they, do receive in One Year, by Virtue of every such Annuity, Pension, Stipend, or yearly Payment respectively; the said several Rates and Sums of Money, to be assessed, imposed, levied and collected, in such Manner as hereafter is mentioned. And that all and every

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