

son to whom the land is assessed, to ascertain the quantity on oath, to be administered by such assessor; and the party so to be assessed shall, and he is hereby obliged to discover the quantity, as near as he can, on oath or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the assessor, under the penalty of fifty pounds for every neglect or refusal. And where any person assessed holds less than the quantity specified in the patent or deed, it shall and may be lawful for the party assessed, to ascertain the quantity by oath, to be administered as aforesaid, or otherwise to prove the same, to the satisfaction of the assessor, who shall rate the land accordingly.

*And be it enacted,* That if any assessor, nominated or appointed by virtue of this act, shall make default at the time appointed for his appearance, or on his appearance shall refuse to serve, not having, in the judgment of the commissioners, a lawful excuse, or shall neglect to return certificates of his said assessment to the commissioners, as aforesaid, at the time and place appointed, such assessor shall, for every such neglect, refusal, or default, forfeit the sum of one hundred pounds current money; and the said commissioners are hereby authorised and empowered, by warrant under their hands and seals, to appoint an assessor in the room of the assessor so refusing or making default, and every assessor so appointed, shall be liable to the same penalty for every neglect, refusal, or default, as aforesaid; and if any assessor shall happen to die before he shall have fully completed his assessment, the said commissioners may, by warrant under their hands and seals, nominate an assessor, in the room of the assessor so dying.

*And be it enacted,* That every commissioner, appointed or to be appointed in virtue of this act, shall, before he acts as such, take the following oath, or affirmation