## Anno quinquagesimo septimo Georgii III. C. vii. TS17.

III. And be it further enacted, That if any Candidate be questioned as to his qualification by any Elector, at the commencement of the Poll, such Candidate shall state te the Sheriff or other Officer, where the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments do lie, whereby he makes out his qualification, delaring his having an actual Income of Forty Shillings per annum, in Freehold Estate, or otherwise qualified as the Law directs, which statement and declaration of such Candidate, shall, by the Sheriff or other Officer, be marked down at the same time in the Poll Book, and such Candidate, shall, if required, take and subscribe the following Oath:

I, A. B. do swear that I am by Law qualified to be Elected for the Town or County Candidate's Oath , and that the Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, for which I claim

a right to be Elected, consists of , and are situate and lying in

and the same hath or have not been made or granted to me fraudulently, on purpose to

qualify me to be Elected. So help me Goo.

IV. And be it further enacted, That every Sheriff, or other Officer, to whom the Sheriffs liable to execution of any Writ for the Electing any Member or Members, to serve in the Penalty General Assembly of this Province shall be directed, and that act contrary or otherwise than by this is directed, or shall return any person or persons, not duly elected by the majority of the Freeholders, every such Sheriff or other Officer shall forfeit the sum of Two Hundred Pounds, one third part thereof to the King, His Heirs and Successors. one third part to the Poor of the County or Town in which such Election is held, and the remaining third thereof to the party aggrieved that will sue for the same, with costs of suit, to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province, by action :

of debt, bill, plaint or information.

V. And be it further enacted, That any person or persons, who shall, at the request Entertainment of of any Candidate, at any future Election, furnish any meat, drink, or entertainment of any kind, during such Candidate's Election, to any Freeholder, or body of Freeholders, or to any other description of people, such person or persons so furnishing the same, shall be totally disabled and prevented from recovering from such Candidate, or from any of his friends, any reward or payment whatsoever, for such entertaiment, or any part thereof; and if any person or persons shall sue any Candidate, or any of his friends, for the whole or any part of the expenses of such entertainment, it shall and may be lawful for the Judge of the Court, wherein such suit shall be brought, (on due proof being made, that such demand arises for, and on account of the entertainment of the Freeholders, at, or during, any Election, in this Province,) to order the party bringing such suit, to be non-suited, and to enter Judgment accordingly. Provided always, That no- Provise thing herein contained, shall extend to prevent any person or persons from recovering. from any individual person, the value of such entertainment, as he or they may, during any Election, furnish or provide for such individual person, for his own use, and at his. own special instance and requests

VI. And be it further enacted, That any person or persons, who shall bribe or cor- Bribery rupt any Freeholder's, at any Election within this Province, such person or persons, so offending, shall suffer all the penalties prescribed by the Laws of Eng-

land, for such offences.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the Sheriff or other Officer, at the opening This Act to be read the Poll each day, shall read this Act; and no other Oath, save as herein before direct- daily during Eleced, shall be required from any Voter at any Election within this Province, nor shall tion any Religious Test be required from such Voter: liberty of conscience being one

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