

he believes it was within the last Two or Three Years preceding.—And being asked, What Monies has the Sheriff received since he (the Witness) has known the Island, and to what Amount? he said, He does not know, but he believes very little, and that must have arisen from Licences for Public Houses in St. John's, and from Fines; and he remembers hearing only of One Fine of £. 10, which was imposed by the Justices on One Thomas Barter, who has been mentioned in the Evidence.—And being asked, What are his Advances on Account of the District? he said, The Maintenance of Felons, and other Offenders, in Gaol; the Support of casual Poor, being Dieters, and Servants, who resort to St. John's from different Parts of the Island.—And being asked, Whether in the Case where he obliged some Masters to refund Four Years Passage Money, did the Servants return Home? he said, He does not know; but he takes for granted, in all those Cases, the Servant was, at the Time, in Service to another Master, whose Duty it was to see he was sent Home.—And being asked, Did he think that sufficient Security for the Man's Return? he said, It is the only Security the Law has yet provided, but the Regulating Bill of last Year would have given a better.