

cute for the same, in any Court of Record within this Island capable of taking cognizance of the same.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That in the event of two or more Candidates at any one Election having the same number of Votes, no Sheriff or other Returning Officer shall make Return, as duly elected, of any one such Candidate having an equal number of Votes, to the exclusion of the other Candidate or Candidates; but shall, in every such case, return the whole of the Candidates having an equal number of Votes, with the proceedings thereon, as herein before directed: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall prevent, or be construed to prevent, the Sheriff or other Returning Officer from proceeding on a Scrutiny, as herein-before provided.

*Duty of Sheriff, &c. in the event of Candidates having the same number of Votes.*

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That in case any person, summoned by the Sheriff or other Returning Officer to give evidence on any such Scrutiny, shall refuse to attend and give evidence, then each and every person so making default shall forfeit and pay, for each and every offence, a sum not exceeding Five Pounds.

*Persons refusing to attend, to give evidence on Scrutiny before Sheriff, &c. to forfeit £5.*

XIX. And be it further enacted, That in case any Sheriff or other Returning Officer, to whom any Writ or Writs of Election for a Member or Members to serve in General Assembly shall be directed, shall return any person or persons not duly elected by the majority of the Electors, such Officer shall forfeit and pay the sum of One hundred Pounds for every such false Return—to be recovered in manner herein-after directed; or if the said Returning Officer shall otherwise do, or cause to be done, any other matter or thing contrary to the directions of this Act, he shall forfeit and pay, for every such offence, the sum of Ten Pounds—to be

*Sheriff, &c. liable to a Penalty of £100 for a false Return, and to a Fine of £10 for not complying with this Act in other respects.*