

of their Doings on the High-Ways; such Reports always containing Lists of Absentees, and Accounts of the Fines levied in consequence of such Absence; but without being entitled to Wages or any other Gratuity for their said Services.

Persons altering, obstructing or making Encroachments on the High-Ways, to forfeit 40s.

Manner of levying the same.

Forfeitures, to whom payable, and how to be applied.

Overseers at the Expiration of the Periods of their respective appointments, to account with the Governor and Council, for their conduct, &c. and to report, in Writing, the true State and Condition of the High-Ways, &c.

and pay over Monie remaining in their Hands, to their Successors in Office.

Preamble.

All the Statute Labour to be performed between the first and last Days of July, annually.

Overseers to advertise Inhabitants to perform Statute Labour in any six Days within the Month of July, at their Discretion.

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X. *And be it further enacted*, That if any Person or Persons whatever shall alter any High-Road, or shall stop up or obstruct, or make any Encroachments thereon, (he or they not being authorised so to do by due Course of Law) shall, upon Complaint and due Proof thereof made before any One of the said Justices of the Peace, forfeit the Sum of *Forty Shillings*, besides the Charges incurred in repairing the Injury done by them; the same to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offenders Goods and Chat-tels, by Warrant from the Justice who shall or may hear the said Complaint: And all the Forfeitures incurred by this Act shall be paid into the Hands of the Overseer for the District within which the same shall have been so incurred, and shall be applied by the said Overseer for and towards the making or repairing High-Roads within the said District.

XI. *And be it further enacted*, That all and singular the Overseers of High-Ways in this Island shall, and they are hereby required and directed, at the expiration of the Year for which they may have been respectively appointed to serve, to account to and with the Governor or other Commander in Chief in Council, for their Conduct in the Execution of their respective Trusts as Overseers, and to report to them in Writing (and upon Oath if so required) a true State and Situation of the High-Ways and Bridges in their respective Districts; mentioning the Work and Labour really done and performed, and the Application (accompanied with the proper Vouchers of Discharge) of the Fines and Forfeitures incurred, whether levied, or if in Arrear, why the same has not been levied, how applied in promoting the Intentions of this Act, and pay whatever may remain unapplied to his or their Successor or Successors in Office, for the Purposes aforesaid, and that under the like Penalty as for any other Neglect of Duty required by this Act.

*And Whereas* it is deemed expedient to alter the Time of performing the Statute Labor,

XII. *Be it enacted*, That from and after the Publication hereof, the whole of the Statute Labor of the Island shall be performed between the first and last Days of July annually; the Overseer or Overseers to advertise the Inhabitants to perform the Statute Labour in any Six Days within the Month of July, which in his or their Discretion he or they may judge most convenient to the Inhabitants of the District; the Summons to be by Advertisement, not less than Three to be posted in the most public Places of the District; which is to be held a sufficient Warning.

*And Whereas* many of the Inhabitants in different Parts of the Island are from Home during all the Summer Months, pursuing Fishing Voyages, who are thereby precluded from attending in the Month of July.

XII. *Be it therefore enacted*, That it shall and may be in the Power of the Governor, with the Advice aforesaid, to appoint an extraordinary Overseer in every District, and which Overseers are hereby empowered and required, upon the Return of the Fishermen, to summon them to perform their Statute Labour in the Months of October or November, at the Judgment