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Passed the 30th April, 1789. AN ACT or Ordinance to explain and amend an Act, intituled, "An Act
 " or Ordinance for better regulating the Militia of this Province, and
 " rendering it of more general utility towards the preservation and se-
 " curity thereof."

Preamble.

WHEREAS the experience of two years hath shewn the expediency of making some amendments and additions to the Ordinance passed the twenty-third day of April, which was in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven and in the twenty seventh year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Ordinance for the better regulating the Militia of this Province and rendering it of more general utility towards the preservation and security thereof:" Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and the Legislative Council and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that whenever any person shall be convicted of the first offence mentioned in the first Article of the above recited Ordinance, and shall not have paid the fine of five pounds within forty-eight hours after such conviction it shall be lawful for the Field Officers who tried the offence to commit the offender to prison, provided such imprisonment shall not exceed the term of one month.

II. Whereas inconveniencies have arisen from the Court of Field Officers not being authorized to diminish the fines and penalties imposed by the subsequent Articles of the said Ordinance; be it enacted by the same authority that the said Courts of Field Officers shall have full power to reduce and diminish the said penalties and fines according to the circumstances of the case, and their discretion.

III.