

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Justice or Justices of the Peace to grant or issue any Warrant as aforesaid, or any Search Warrant, on a Sunday as well as on any other day.

Justices may issue Search Warrants and others on Sunday.

IV. And be it enacted, That in all cases when a charge or complaint for any indictable offence shall be made before such Justice or Justices aforesaid, if it be intended to issue a Warrant in the first instance against such party or parties so charged, an information and complaint thereof (A) in writing, on the oath or affirmation of the informant, or of some witness or witnesses in that behalf, shall be laid before such Justice or Justices: Provided always, that in all cases when it is intended to issue a Summons instead of a Warrant in the first instance, it shall not be necessary that such information and complaint shall be in writing, or be sworn to or affirmed in manner aforesaid; but in every such case such information and complaint may be by parol merely, and without any oath or affirmation whatsoever to support or substantiate the same: Provided also, that no objection shall be taken or allowed to any such information or complaint for any alleged defect therein in substance or in form, or for any variance between it and the evidence adduced on the part of the prosecution, before the Justice or Justices who shall take the examination of the witnesses on that behalf as hereinafter mentioned; and if any credible Witness shall prove upon oath (E 1) before a Justice of the Peace, that there is reasonable cause to suspect that any property whatsoever, on or with respect to which any larceny or felony shall have been committed, is in any dwelling house, out-house, garden, yard, croft or other place or places, the Justice may grant a Warrant (E 2) to search such dwelling house, garden, yard, croft or other place or places, for such property.

Information on oath required when a Warrant issues in the first instance.

What information required in case a summons only issues.

Proviso: No objection allowed for defect of form or substance in information.

Search Warrant may be granted in certain cases.

V. And be it enacted, That upon such information and complaint being so laid as aforesaid, the Justice or Justices receiving the same may, if he or they shall think fit, issue his or their Summons or Warrant respectively as hereinbefore directed, to cause the person charged as aforesaid to be and appear before him or them, or any other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same Territorial Division, to be dealt with according to law: and every summons (C) shall be directed to the party so charged in and by such information, and shall state shortly the matter of such information, and shall require the party to whom it is directed to be and appear at a certain time and place therein mentioned, before the Justice who shall issue such Summons, or before such other Justice or Justices of the Peace for the same Territorial Division as may then be there, to answer to the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law; and every such Summons shall be served by a Constable or other Peace Officer upon the person to whom it is so directed, by delivering the same to the party personally, or, if he cannot conveniently be met with, then by leaving the same for him with some person at his last or most usual place of abode; and the Constable or other Peace Officer who shall have served the same in manner aforesaid, shall attend at the time and place, and before the Justices in the said Summons mentioned, to depose, if necessary, to the service of such Summons; and if the person so served shall not be and appear before such Justice or Justices, at the time and place mentioned in such Summons, in obedience to the same, then it shall be lawful for such Justice or Justices, to issue his or their Warrant (D) for apprehending the party so summoned, and bringing him before such Justice or Justices, or before some other Justice or Justices for the same Territorial Division, to answer the charge in the said

Upon receiving the information the Justice may issue a Summons or Warrant, as the case may require.

How any such Summons shall be served.

If the party summoned do not attend a Warrant may issue against him.