

XII. And be it declared and further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Returning Officer presiding or taking the Poll, at any such Election, shall have full power and authority to maintain and enforce order, and keep the peace thereat, and to command and employ for that purpose any Officer or Officers of Militia, or Peace Officers, and all other His Majesty's subjects of the County, and to arrest and confine, or commit to prison on view or by an order in writing, directed to any Peace Officer of the County or place for which such Election is held, granted on the oath of one credible witness, any person exciting violence, committing violence, or engaged in any affray or riot or going armed with clubs, staves or other offensive weapons, or not being an inhabitant of the County and interfering with the Poll, and such person to detain during that day's Poll, and until he shall have found security of the peace and good behaviour during the continuance of such Election. Provided always that no such arrest, detention or imprisonment, by such Returning Officer, shall in any manner exempt the person or persons so arrested, detained or imprisoned, from any of the pains, penalties or disabilities to which such person or persons may have been liable, by reason of any thing done contrary to the true intent and meaning of this Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Returning Officer or Officers presiding at any such election, shall have full power and authority to suppress or cause to be suppressed on view, or by an Order in writing directed to any Peace Officer or Officers of Militia, on the oath of one credible witness, any house or place within of a league of the place of Election, where any intoxicating liquors may be sold or delivered out to any person or persons assembled within the distance aforesaid of any such place of Election, and the person or persons occupying such house or delivering out such liquors shall for every such offence incur a Penalty not exceeding current money of this Province, to be recovered as before directed, with full costs of suit.

XIV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be sufficient for the Plaintiff in any action of debt given by this Act, to set forth in the Declaration or Bill, that the Defendant is indebted to him, in the sum of and to allege the particular offence for which the action or suit is brought ; and that the Defendant hath acted contrary to this Act, without mentioning the Writ of Summons to Parliament, or the return thereof, and it shall be sufficient in any Indictment or information for any offence committed contrary to this Act, to allege the particular offence charged upon the Defendant, and that the Defendant is guilty thereof, without mentioning the Writ of Summons to Parliament, or the return thereof ; and upon trial of any Issue in any such action, suit, indictment or information, the Plaintiff, prosecutor, or informer, shall not be obliged to prove the Writ of Summons to Parliament or the return thereof, or the authority of the Returning Officer, grounded upon any such Writ of Summons.

XV. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every action, suit, Indictment or information given by this Act, shall be