

3. Geo. 3. c. 7.
2 Sess.

on Penalty of £10.

Directions of the Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships to maintain their Poor; and if such Overseers shall neglect to issue their Precept as aforesaid, each of the said Overseers shall forfeit and pay to the Treasurer of the Province, for the Use of the Poor, the Sum of Ten Pounds, to be recovered by Bill, Plaint, or Information in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record in this Province.

Penalties on Assessors and Collectors for refusing to serve in their respective Offices, to be recovered before two Justices of the Peace.

III. *And Whereas in and by the aforesaid Act, it is enacted, " That if any of the Assessors or Collectors chosen and appointed, " shall refuse to serve in their respective Offices, each Person so " refusing shall forfeit and pay to the Overseers of the Poor, for " the Use of the Poor of said Township, the Sum of Forty " Shillings;" but no Provision is made for recovering the said Forfeiture, Be it Enacted, That all such Forfeitures shall and may be recovered by Complaint, or Information before any two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County wherein the same shall arise, and be levied by Warrant of Distress and Sale of the Offenders Goods and Chattels,*

C A P. II.

An ACT for the rating and levying of the Charges for conveying Malefactors and Offenders to the Gaol.

Preamble.

Eng. Stat. 3 Jac. 1.
c. 10.

Offenders to be conveyed to Gaol at their own Charge.

HEREAS His Majesty's Subjects are much charged and burtened in conveying Felons and other Malefactors and Offenders against His Majesty's Laws, unto the Gaol, punishable by Imprisonment there, the said Felons and other Malefactors and Offenders having Goods and Chattels of their own, whereby to defray the same Charges themselves, to the great Encouragement of such Malefactors and Offenders in their said wicked and bad Courses, and to the Discouragement of His Majesty's said Subjects, in prosecuting the said Malefactors and Offenders to be punished according to their Demerits; Be it therefore Enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council, and Assembly, That all and every Person and Persons whatsoever, that shall hereafter be committed to the common or usual Gaol within any County in this Province, by any Justice or Justices of the Peace, for any Offence or Misdemeanor, that the said Person or Persons so to be committed as aforesaid, having Means or Ability thereunto, shall bear their own reasonable Charges for so conveying or sending them to the said Gaol, and the Charges also of such as shall be appointed to guard them to such Gaol, and shall so guard them thither: And if any such Person or Persons, so to be committed as aforesaid, shall refuse at the Time of their Commitment and sending to the said Gaol, to defray the said Charges, or shall not then pay or bear the same, that then such Justice or Justices of the Peace shall and