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At the GENERAL-ASSEMBLY of the Province of *Nova-Scotia*, begun and holden at HALIFAX, on the Sixth Day of *June*, Anno Domini 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of *Great-Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Twentieth Day of *October*, Anno Domini 1775, in the Fifteenth Year of His said Majesty's Reign, being the Fifth GENERAL-ASSEMBLY convened in the said Province.

C A P. I.

An ACT in Addition to the several Acts of this Province, made for regulating the Militia, and more particularly an Act made in the Second Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the better regulating the Militia on actual Service in Time of War.*

32. Geo. 2. cap 6.
2. Geo. 3. 6.
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W H E R E A S many and great Inconveniencies may arise for Want of a sufficient Power by Law being granted to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of the Province for the Time being, to enlist and embody out of the Militia such sufficient and able bodied Persons as are best qualified, and fit for actual Service in Time of Danger.

Preamble.

I. Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, for the time being, or any and every Person by him or them for that Purpose appointed, shall and may enlist as Volunteers, and enter into the Service of this Province, or any Regiment of Militia

Governor, &c. or Person by him appointed may enlist Volunteers to serve in Militia.

to be embodied within the same, all and every able bodied person as may be willing to enlist in the said provincial Militia.

No Apprentice or indented Servant to be enlisted.

II. *Provided always*, That no Apprentice, or indented Servant shall be enlisted as a Volunteer in the said Militia.

Governor, &c. may Commission and appoint Officers being Persons resident and Freeholders, to draft by Ballot from the Militia, so many Men as the Governor, &c. shall think necessary.

III. *And be it Enacted*, That the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being, shall and may commission and appoint such Officer or Officers, as He or They shall think proper (being Persons resident and Freeholders in this Province for at least one Year last before their appointment) to elect and draught by Ballot from the Militia of this Province, so many able bodied Men as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council shall from Time to Time think necessary to assist in the Defence of this Province.

Commanding Officer within 48 Hours after receiving Orders, to muster the Regiment or Company (from which Drafts are to be made.)

IV. *And be it also Enacted*, That the Commanding Officer of each and every Regiment, troop or Company of Militia in this Province, or such other Person so commissioned as aforesaid, shall under the Penalty of Twenty Pounds for each and every Neglect or Offence, from Time to Time, and at all Times, upon receiving Orders from the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in chief, for the Time being, within Forty Eight Hours after receiving such Orders, order and direct to be warned by a proper or usual warning Officer, the Regiment Troop or Company, from which Draughts are to be made as aforesaid, to be drawn out, muster and appear, at some convenient Place in each Township or District, where such Militia reside, within three Days from the issuing such Orders.

Every Person obliged by Law to serve in the Militia, shall, on Notice, attend the Muster. Penalty £10.

V. *And be it also further Enacted*, That each and every Person, who by the Laws of this Province are obliged to serve in the Militia, upon being warned by a proper or usual warning Officer, either by personal Notice or a written Notice, left at his or their usual Place of Abode, shall personally attend at the Time and Place of muster as aforesaid, under the Penalty of ten Pounds for each and every Neglect or Offence, unless it be made appear upon the Trial, that the Attendance of such Person so notified to muster, was prevented by Sickness or other unavoidable accident.

VI. *And Whereas in the Eighth Section of the Act, made in the Second Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the better Regulating the Militia on actual Service in Time of War." It is Enacted*, "That when any Part of the Militia shall be draughted to march from one Part of the Province or Town to another, on real service, all such Draughts or Detachments shall be made by Ballot from each Company, in exact Pro-
" portien,

“ portion, according to the Numbers then fit for Duty, which shall be on the Oath of the Captain or commanding Officer, to the best of his Knowledge.” But no Form of the said Oath is prescribed in the said Act; *Be it Enacted*, That before such Ballot shall be made by every such Captain or commanding Officer, he shall take the following Oath, before One of His Majesty’s Justices of the Peace.

“ **I** Do solemnly swear, that I will without Fear, Favour, Affection, Reward or Promise thereof, make a just and true Ballot to the best of my Skill and Knowledge, of all and every able bodied Man, fit and sufficient for actual Service, in the Militia under my Command.”

VII. *And be it also Enacted*, That the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being, is hereby empowered, and may order such Corps or Body of Militia so to be raised and embodied, to march into any Part or Parts of this Province for the Defence of the same, and there to execute and perform such Duties and Services, as from Time to Time, He or they shall with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty’s Council judge necessary for the Defence and Service of this Province.

VIII. *And be it also further Enacted*, That all and every commissioned and non-commissioned Officer, Drummer and private Soldier, of such embodied Militia, shall receive and be paid as his or their Allowance and Pay, the same Rates, Proportions and Allowances, as are appointed and directed by an Act, made in the second Year of his present Majesty’s Reign, intitled, “ An Act for the better regulating the Militia on actual Service in Time of War,” and also, that each and every Officer in the said Militia so to be embodied, shall receive and be allowed the like, and every such like Rations of Provisions and Allowances as Officers of the like Appointment serving in his Majesty’s Army, and that the aforesaid Rates and Proportions of Monies and Provisions, shall be paid, delivered and accounted for unto all, such commissioned Officers monthly, and unto all and every non-commissioned Officer and Soldier weekly.

IX. *Provided always, and be it Enacted*, That the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being, with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty’s Council, and the Field Officers of such Corps, Regiment, Troops, or Companies of Militia so to be embodied, may order and direct, to be retained and stopped such Sum or Sums of Money out of the Allowance and Pay to each and every non-commission Officer, Soldier and Drummer, not exceeding one third of their daily Pay and Subsistence, for purchasing and providing such Cloathing and

Oath to be taken by the Officer making the Ballot from each Company for Service.

The Governor &c. empowered with Advice and Consent of Council to order the Militia to march to any part of the Province for the defence of the same.

Officers, &c. to be paid as by Act of 2d Geo. 3. Cap. 7. and to receive the same Rates and Allowances.

Officers to be allowed the like Rations of Provisions and Allowances as Officers serving in His Majesty’s Army.

The Governor, &c. with Advice and Consent of Council and Field Officers of Militia, to order and direct Stoppages from Non-Commission Officers and Soldiers, not exceeding $\frac{1}{3}$ of daily Pay for purchasing Cloathing and Necessaries,

and Necessaries, as may be requisite for such Militia, and which Cloathing and Necessaries, shall belong, pertain and be the Property of each respective Person, for whom the same are provided, subject nevertheless to such military Regulations, Laws and Orders, as may be made from Time to Time by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the Time being, with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council, and the Field Officers of such Militia so to be embodied.

Fines and penalties how recovered levied and appropriated.

X. *And be it also Enacted*, That all and every Fine and Penalty that may be incurred by Force or Virtue of this Act, shall and may be recovered upon the Oath of one or more credible Witnesses, before any two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace (not being Officers of such Corps or Body of Militia, so to be raised or embodied) and the said Fines and Penalties shall be levied by Warrant of Distress or Execution under the Hands and Seals of such Justices, upon the Body, Goods Chattles or Estate, of each and every Delinquent, and that all and every Fine and Penalty levied, recovered and received by Force or Virtue of this Act, shall be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer of this Province, to be expended and laid out for such Military Uses as shall be thought necessary by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief of this Province for the Time being.

The Militia when embodied, to continue in actual Service so long as may be judged necessary by the Governor and Council.

XI. *And be it also further Enacted*, That the said Militia so to be embodied, and all and every Person that may be draughted or received therein, as aforesaid, shall continue so embodied and in actual Service, from the Time of their being so draughted and embodied, on Occasions of actual Danger, for and during so long a Period and Time, as may be judged absolutely necessary, by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the Time being, and his Majesty's Council, for the Defence and Service of this Province.

The Governor, &c. and Council may declare Martial Law over the Militia so embodied,

XII. *And be it Enacted*, That the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the Time being, with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council, may declare Martial Law over, and to operate upon, and in the said Corps or Body of Militia, so to be draughted, raised and embodied as aforesaid, and that the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the Time being, together with his Majesty's Council, and the Field Officers of such Militia, so to be embodied, as aforesaid, may and are hereby impowered to make, publish and declare all such Laws, Rules and Orders for the military Discipline of such Corps or Body of Militia, so to be draughted and embodied as aforesaid, as they may think just and necessary, for the good Order and Discipline of the same, and that all such

and with the Field Officers to make rules and orders for the military Discipline thereof.

Rules

Rules and Orders so as aforesaid to be made, shall have full Force, and Effect in such Militia, so to be embodied.

XIII. *Provided always, and be it Enacted,* That all and every such Rule and Order so to be made as aforesaid, shall not extend to the Life of any Person, or to the depriving him of his Property, above Forty Shillings, for each and every Offence, to be committed against such Rules and orders so to be made as aforesaid.

Such Rules and Orders not to extend to the Life nor Fine above 40/.

XIV. *And be it Enacted,* That each and every Regiment, Troop, Company or Body of Militia of this Province, so to be drafted, raised and embodied, as aforesaid, and every Part thereof, shall be officer'd and commanded by Persons, who are at the Time of their being appointed, and who have been for at least one Year next before the Time of their being appointed or commissioned, Freeholders and Residents in this Province, and by no other Person or Persons whatsoever.

The Militia so to be raised and embodied to be Officer'd and Commanded by persons who are and have been at least one year Freeholders and Residents in the Province.

XV. *Provided always,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, to appoint one proper Person, who shall have served, or shall at the Time of such Appointment actually serve, in some of his Majesty's Forces, to be Adjutant to each Regiment or Corps of Militia, and also one proper Person as a Serjeant to each Company of such Militia, so ordered out on Service as aforesaid.

The Governor &c. to appoint one proper person as Adjutant to each Regiment or Corps of Militia and one Serjeant to each Company.

XVI. *Provided always, and be it Enacted,* That this Act nor any Part thereof, shall be put in Force, or take Effect, but in Times of actual Invasion, Insurrection, Rebellion, sudden Attack from an Enemy or imminent Danger thereof, to be determin'd by the Governor Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

This Act not to be put in Force or take Effect but in times of actual Invasion &c. or Imminent danger thereof.

C A P. II.

1. *Geo. 3. cap. 6.* An Act in Addition to an Act, made in the First Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act to prevent the spreading of contagious Disorders.*

When any Persons, come from any Place infected with Plague, Small Pox, &c.

on sufficient Evidence and Testimony of Physicians, &c.

Two or more Justices with Overseers of the Poor to take care and make effectual Provision for the preservation of the Inhabitants.

Sick or Infected Persons to remove themselves or be removed by Justices and Overseers of the Poor.

Charge occasioned by Persons belonging to any other Town who shall be Sick with Small Pox, &c. and who are unable to pay the same, to be paid by Overseers of the Poor of Town where they belong.



B E it Enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That for the better preventing the spreading of Intection, when it shall happen that any Person or Persons coming from abroad, or belonging to any Town or Place within this Province, visited, or that late before, have been visited with the Plague, Small Pox, pestilential or malignant Fever, or other contagious Sickness, the Infection whereof may probably be communicated to others, Two or more of the Justices of the Peace, together with the Overseers of the Poor, of such Town, are hereby impowered, upon full and sufficient Evidence and Proof being made to such Justices and Overseers of the Poor, and after taking the Testimony of One or more Physician, Surgeon or Apothecary, living and residing in, or near such Township or Place, to take care and make effectual Provision in the best Manner they can, for the Preservation of the Inhabitants, and of such Sick or Infected Person or Persons shall not remove himself, or themselves, or be removed by his or their Parents or Masters, to such Place as the Justices and Overseers of the Poor, shall think fit and proper, provided the same be within such Township or Place, it shall and may be lawful for the said Justices and Overseers of the Poor to remove and place such Sick or Infected Person or Persons to, and in a separate House or Houses as aforesaid, and by providing Nurseries, Attendance and other Assistance, and Necessaries for them at the Charge of the Parties themselves, their Parents or Masters, if able, or otherwise at the Charge of the Town or Place whereto they belong. And in Case it shall happen, that any Person or Persons shall be visited with any such Small Pox, malignant Infection or Sickness, in any other Town or Place than that whereto they belong, and thereby Occasion a Charge to such Town, the Overseers of the Poor shall lay the Account thereof before the Justices in the Court of *General or Special Sessions of the Peace*, held for the County or District, where such Town lies, whereto such Person or Persons belong, and the Justices having adjusted the Account of such Charge, and allowed so much thereof as they judge reasonable, shall order Payment thereof to be made by the Overseers of the Poor, when the Persons themselves, their Parents, or Masters, are unable to pay the same, and when it shall happen that such indigent Persons, are not Inhabitants or belonging to any Town or Place within this Province

Province, and the proper Charge thereof, in Case they need Relief, being adjusted as aforesaid, then the Charge of their Sickness shall be defrayed out of the public Treasury of the Province, by Warrant from the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief on the Certificate of the said Justices.

and when such Persons do not belong to any Town such Charge to be paid by the Treasurer of the Province.

II. *Provided*, That any Person or Persons desirous of being inoculated (for the Small Pox) themselves, or of having their Families inoculated, may proceed therein, provided, that the House or Place wherein they dwell or reside, during the Time of their being infected with the Small Pox, shall be at least One Hundred and Sixty Rods Distance from any other House or Dwelling, and that they take Care to prevent and restrain all Persons infected from going from thence further than Eighty Rods from such House, and also that such their Design of Inoculating be made known in the Township where they dwell, and a Flag hung out at their said House, to the End that all Persons may take Notice thereof, and avoid if they see cause going near such Houses or Places.

Rules to be observed by Persons who shall inoculate themselves or Families.

III. *Provided also*, That nothing in this Act contained, shall be construed to extend to the Town of Halifax.

Nothing in this Act to extend to Town of Halifax.

C A P. III.

An Act in Addition to, and Amendment of, an Act, made in the Eleventh Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for altering and amending an Act made in the Thirty Second Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act relating to the Assize of Bread, and for ascertaining the Standard of Weights and Measures.*

11. Geo. 3. cap. 8.

W **HEREAS** no Assize Table is made for fixing and ascertaining the Weight of Bread, when it shall happen that the Price of Flour exceeds Eighteen Shillings the One Hundred and Twelve Pounds, Avoidupoize.

Preambles

I. *Be it Enacted*, by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, That from and after the Publication of this Act, the following Table shall be the Rule for making the Assize of Bread made for

for Sale, when the Price of good, found, inspected, Wheaten, fine Flour, shall be as hereunder mentioned, *that is to say,*

Table for making the Assize of Bread when Flour from 18s. to 28s. per C. Weight.

When such Flour shall be from Eighteen to Nineteen Shillings the One Hundred and Twelve Pounds, the Sixpenny Loaf, shall weigh,	-	-	2lb.	8oz.
When from Nineteen Shillings to Twenty Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	2	6
When from Twenty Shillings to Twenty One Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	2	5
When from Twenty One Shillings to Twenty Two Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	2	3
When from Twenty Two Shillings to Twenty Three Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	2	2
When from Twenty Three Shillings to Twenty Four Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	2	0
When from Twenty Four Shillings to Twenty Five Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	1	15
When from Twenty Five Shillings to Twenty Six Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	1	13
When from Twenty Six Shillings to Twenty Seven Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	1	12
When from Twenty Seven Shillings to Twenty Eight Shillings, inclusive,	-	-	1	10

When Flour exceeds 28s. the 6d Loaf to weigh 2oz. less for every 1s such Flour shall be at more than 28s.

Brown Bread to weigh $\frac{1}{2}$ lb more for 6d than White Bread.

Two Justices appointed by Sessions to make monthly an Assize of Bread agreeable to the Table in this Act and in the Act 11th; Cap. 3d.

Assize to be affixed in the most public Place by Clerks of the Market.

II. *And be it also Enacted,* That when it shall so happen that such Merchantable, fine Flour as aforesaid, shall be at a greater Price than Twenty Eight Shillings the One Hundred and Twelve Pounds, the Six Penny Loaf of such Flour, shall weigh two Ounces less for every Shilling such Flour shall be at more than Twenty Eight Shillings the One Hundred and Twelve Pounds, and that the Household or good Brown Bread, shall weigh Half a Pound more for Six-Pence, than White Bread.

III. *And be it also further Enacted,* That any two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace (such Justices being appointed by the Sessions) are hereby empowered to make Monthly an Assize of Bread made for Sale, according to the Price of Flour, and agreeable to the aforementioned Table, and the Table contained in an Act made in the Eleventh Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for altering and amending an Act made in the Thirty-Second Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act relating to the Assize of Bread, and for ascertaining the Standard of Weights and Measures,*" such Assize to be affixed in the most Public Place in the Town by the Clerks of the Market, any Law, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. *And*

IV. *And be it Enacted*, That the Clerks of the Market shall examine all Bread made for Sale, and shall feize all such Bread as shall be found under the Weight prescribed in the Affize made as aforesaid, under the Penalty of Forty Shillings for every Neglect, and the Baker of such Bread so found under Weight, shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence the Sum of Forty Shillings, which Fines and Penalties shall be levied by Warrant of Distress and Sale of the Offenders, Goods and Chattles, under the Hand and Seal of one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and Three Fourths of the Bread so feized and of the Fines and Penalties so levied, shall be for the Use of the Poor of the Town or Place where the Offence shall be committed, and the other fourth Part, to and for the Person who shall detect the Fraud, and feize such Bread as aforesaid.

Clerks of Market to examine all Bread made for Sale and feize all Bread under weight

Penalties.

how to be levied,

and applied.

C A P. IV.

An Act in Amendment to the several Laws of this Province concerning Bail.

HEREAS many and great Inconveniencies arise for the want of Authority being granted by Law, for holding to Bail such Persons who may be indebted for Sums under Ten Pounds, and exceeding Three Pounds.

Preamble.

I. *Be it Enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly*, That in all Causes where the Sum in demand shall exceed Three Pounds, the Provost Marshall or his Deputy, may arrest, imprison or hold to Bail, any Debtor or Debtors, upon the Plaintiff, his Attorney or agent making and subscribing an Affidavit in writing or on the back of the Writ to be issued, for Recovery of the Debt, to be sued for, before a Judge or the Clerk or his Deputy of the Court from whence the Writ shall issue, that the Defendant is justly indebted to the Plaintiff in any Sum exceeding Three Pounds, which Affidavit so to be subscribed as aforesaid, shall be filed in the Clerk's-Office from whence such Writ may issue as aforesaid, and the Sum specified in such Affidavit so made and subscribed as aforesaid, or to be made on the Writ as aforesaid, shall be Indorsed on the Writ to be issued as aforesaid, in the Form following, by Oath for (in Words at Length) for which Sum so indorsed, the Provost-Marshall, Sheriff, Coroner or their Deputies shall take Bail, and for no more; any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

In all Causes where the Sum in Demand shall exceed £3 the Provost Marshall or Deputy, may arrest, imprison, or hold to Bail any Debtor, upon Plaintiff his Attorney or Agent making Affidavit. before a Judge or the Clerk or Deputy: Clerk of Court.

Sum sworn to, to be indorsed on the Writ.

If Plaintiff is sick and unable to attend on the Judge, or the Clerk or Commissioner for taking Bail, such Plaintiff may make Affidavit before a Justice of the Peace.

II. *Provided always, and be it Enacted*, That whensoever it may happen that any Plaintiff or Plaintiffs are sick and unable to attend upon the Judge or Clerk of any Court, or upon a Commissioner for taking Bail, to make Oath to his or their Debt for holding a Defendant to Bail, such Plaintiff may make Oath before any One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and every Oath so to be taken, and Bail, which may be ordered by any One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace as aforesaid, shall be as good and effectual as if made before any Judge, Commissioner or Clerk as aforesaid.

C A P. V.

An Act for establishing the Times of holding an
Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the Township of *Yarmouth* in *Queen's-County*.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the Want of Roads, and the Distance between the Township of *Liverpool*, in *Queen's-County*, and the Townships of *Yarmouth*, *Barrington*, and *Argyle*, makes the Attendance of Persons resident in the said Townships, at the *Inferior Court of Common Pleas*, held at *Liverpool*, for the said County, not only very inconvenient, but greatly impedes the due Administration of Justice in the said Townships of *Yarmouth*, *Barrington*, and *Argyle*. For Remedy whereof,

Inferior Court to be held at *Yarmouth*, First Tuesday of *April*, last Tuesday of *October*.

I. *Be it Enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly*, That an *Inferior Court of Common Pleas* for the said County of *Queen's County*, shall and may be holden within the Township of *Yarmouth*, in the County aforesaid, on the First Tuesday of *April*, and on the last Tuesday of *October* in every Year.

Laws respecting Jurors, &c. to extend to said Court.

II. *And be it also Enacted*, That all and every the Laws of this Province, respecting the balloting, summoning and Attendance of Jurors, ordering and taking special Bail, the Service of Writs and Executions, or which relate to order and direct either the practical or judicial Proceedings of the Courts of Law in this Province, shall extend, and be construed to extend, to the said *Inferior Court of Common Pleas*, in the Township of *Yarmouth* as aforesaid.

C A P. VI.

An Act for the ready Admission of such of his Majesty's Subjects in the Colonies on the Continent, who may be induced to take Refuge in this Province, from the Anarchy and Confusion there, and for securing the Peace, and preserving the Loyalty and Obedience of the Inhabitants of this Province.

HEREAS there is at this Time a most daring and unnatural Rebellion, subsisting in the neighbouring Provinces against his sacred Majesty and his Government, and as many of his Majesty's Subjects of dutiful and loyal Deportment, are desirous of withdrawing themselves from such Confusion and unnatural Rebellion, and seeking an Ajylum in this Province.

I. *Be it Enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That every Person above the Age of Sixteen Years, who have, or shall hereafter come into any Part of this Province, from any Part of the Continent of North America, with an Intent to dwell or reside within this Province, or to carry on any Trade or Business, shall take the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy and Declaration required to be taken and subscribed by Act of Parliament.*

Persons above 16 Years of Age who have come, or may come into this Province from any part of the Continent to take the Oaths of Allegiance, &c.

II. *And be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That every Person taking the Oaths and subscribing the Declaration aforesaid, shall to all Intents and Purposes be esteemed and reputed to be an Inhabitant of this Province, and intitled to all the Privileges and Immunities thereof.*

Persons taking the Oaths, &c. to be esteemed as Inhabitants.

III. *And be it also Enacted, That the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, or any one of his Majesty's Council, or any one of his Majesty's Justices of either Court, or any one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for any County, are hereby authorized and impowered to administer the said Oaths, to any Person coming into this Province, and they are hereby further required to certify into the Secretary's Office, the Names of the Persons so taking the Oaths, and signing the Declaration aforesaid, together with the Trade, Business, Employment or Occupation of such Person within Sixty Days after taking the same, there to remain on Record, for the Benefit of the Person so taking it.*

Persons authorized to administer the said Oaths.

and to certify into the Secretary's Office, the Names of the Persons taking the said Oaths, with the Trade, Business, &c. of such Person, within 60 Days.

W. And Whereas many evil designing Persons have, and may hereafter come into this Province with an Intent to corrupt the Minds

If any Person coming into the Province, from any of the Provinces now in Rebellion, shall not in 5 Days after his Arrival present himself before some one of the Magistrates hereby authorized to administer said Oath. lawful for any of his Majesty's Justices to summon & bring such Person before him and require his taking and subscribing Oaths, and upon Refusal to order Person refusing to find Security for good Behaviour, or to commit him to Goal on refusal of such Security. Persons holding traitorous Correspondence with Persons now associated in Arms against his Majesty's Government shall on conviction thereof suffer agreeable to the Laws of *G. Britain*.

Minds of his Majesty's liege Subjects, and to carry on the Designs of his Majesty's rebellious Subjects aforesaid, Be it Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid That if any Person coming from any of the Provinces now in Rebellion against his Majesty and Government, into this Province, and shall not within the Space of Five Days after his Arrival, present himself to some one of the Magistrates hereby lawfully authorized to Administer the said Oaths, and before him to take the same, and subscribe the Declaration aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for any of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace to summon and bring such Person before him, and require his taking and subscribing the Oaths and Declaration aforesaid, and upon Refusal thereof, to order and direct such Person so refusing, to find two good and sufficient Sureties, for his good Behaviour during his Residence in the Province, and upon his Refusal, to commit such Person to any of his Majesty's Goals till he shall take and subscribe the said Oaths and Declaration or find Security as aforesaid.

V. *And be it also Enacted*, That if any Person living and residing within this his Majesty's Province, shall at any Time hereafter hold any traitorous Correspondence with any Persons in the aforesaid Colonies, now associated in Arms against his Majesty's Government, either by Letter, Message, or in any other criminal and traitorous Manner, he or she being thereof convicted, agreeable to the Statutes and Laws of *Great Britain*, shall suffer such Pains and Penalties, as in such Cases is provided, against Persons traitorously corresponding with his Majesty's Enemies.