

acknowledge the same by endorsing such Acknowledgement on said Warrant, with the Date of its Presentation, and such Warrant from thenceforth, shall carry Interest after the Rate of Six ^{per cent per annum} and may be taken and received at all the public Offices in this Province, as Cash for provincial Duties there due and payable; and shall be payable to the *bona fide* Holder thereof and no other.

Bounties and Premiums to continue until the End of the Year 1787.

X. *And be it further Enabled*, That the Bounties and Premiums voted and allowed by the *General Assembly*, in their last Sessions, shall be continued, and the same are hereby continued, until the End of the Year One Thousand, seven Hundred and Eighty Seven and no longer, and shall and may be paid and satisfied, conformable to such Votes by Virtue of this Act.

Governor to draw by Warrant £85. 7. to defray the expences incurred for repairs done to the Government House

XI. *And be it further Enabled, by the Authority aforesaid*, That by or out of all and every the Monies that now or may come into the Treasury of this Province the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, may and shall draw by Warrant a sum not exceeding Eighty Five Pounds seven Shillings Currency to defray the Expences incurred for Repairs done to the Government House; an Account of which has been rendered to the *House of Assembly*.

C A P. VII.

An ACT to enable one or more Justices of the Peace to issue a Compulsory Process, in the first Instance in civil Causes, which are by Law triable before them.

Preamble.



“HEREAS it frequently happens as the Law now stands, that Persons owing Debts, under three Pounds value, find means to elude Payment, although able to pay or satisfy the same.”

Justice of the Peace may issue a Capias or Warrant to arrest Debtors and hold them to Bail.

I. For Remedy whereof, *Be it enabled by the Governor, Council and Assembly, and it is hereby Enabled*, That from and after the Publication of this Act, it shall and may be Lawful for any Justice of the Peace within this Province, upon Application made to him, and on Affidavit made before him or them, of the Debts due, in the Manner practised in Debts of greater Value, to issue a Capias or Warrant to arrest the Body of the Debtor or Debtors, and hold them to Bail for his, or their Appearance, instead of the Process by Summons as now used, and to make the same returnable forthwith, or at such Period, not exceeding five Days, as he or they in his or their Discretion may judge fit, and to proceed to Trial and give Judgement thereon as in ordinary Cases.

No Person possessing a Freehold of the value of 40s. shall be arrested for a Debt under 20s. or not exceeding 4s.

II. *Provided always*, That no Person having a Freehold Estate within this Province of the Value of Forty Shillings by the Year, shall be arrested for a Debt due by him under Twenty Shillings, nor for any larger Debt not exceeding three Pounds unless in Addition to an Affidavit of the Debt, the Party applying shall also make Oath, that he verily believes that unless such Compulsory Process is allowed the Debt due will be lost.

This Act to continue to 31 Dec. 1787.

This Act to continue in Force until the Thirty first Day of December in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Seven.