

Service 1s. 3d. per
Mile Travel.

II. *And be it further Enacted*, That for the Service of such Summons, the Constable shall have one Shilling, and three Pence per Mile Travel, to be computed from the Justices Residence.

And whereas doubts have arisen respecting the Power of Justices in taking Cognizance of certain Civil Actions.

Justices not to have
Jurisdiction of Debt
for Rent, Trover,
Case for Words,
Trespas, Assault
and Battery, false
imprisonment or
where Title to
Lands come in
question.

III. *Be it therefore Enacted*, That from and after the Publication hereof, no Justice of the Peace shall entertain or have any Jurisdiction of any of the following Actions, (to wit) of Debts for Rent, Trover or Conversion, or Actions on the Case for Words; or Actions for Trespas, Assault, and Battery; or false Imprisonment, or where the Titles of Land shall in any Ways come in Question.

C A P. IX.

AN ACT in Addition to an Act made in the fifth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the raising Money by Presentment on the several Counties in this Province, for the defraying certain County Charges therein mentioned.

HEREAS the Clerks of the Peace in the several Counties in this Province are by Virtue of their Office obliged to do and perform certain Services for which no Payment is by Law established; for Remedy whereof.

Grand Jury to pre-
sent Sums necessary
for payment of
Clerk of the Peace.

I. *Be it Enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly*, That it shall and may be lawful for the several Grand Juries in each of the Counties in this Province, either at the Court of Assize or General Sessions of the Peace to be held for such County on proper Representation made thereon by the Justices in their General Sessions, to present annually such Sum or Sums as shall by them be deemed necessary for the Payment of the Clerk of the Peace for his Services in that Office, for which no Provision has hitherto been made.

C A P. X.

AN ACT to provide a suitable Place for the General Assembly and 'King's Courts to sit in, and for other public Purposes.

HEREAS the Destruction of the Court-House by Fire, and the inconvenient Situation of the present Assembly House makes it necessary that a more suitable Place should be provided for the public Service, and whereas the State of the Province Finances will not at present admit of the Expence of building a proper Place, for these and other Purposes.

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I. *Be it therefore Enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly,* That from and after the Publication hereof, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal to appoint three or more fit and proper Persons to Act as Commissioners on the part of the Province, for the following purposes, *That is to say,* it shall and may be lawful for said Commissioners when appointed in their own Names as Trustees for the Province to lease from the Honourable *Thomas Cochran, James Cochran and William Cochran* of the Town of *Halifax*, Merchants for ten Years to be computed from the first Day of *July* next, all that new Building belonging to them now erected in Front of the Government House, together with such part of the Cellar as said Commissioners shall think necessary, not to exceed one third Part of the Whole thereof, at a Yearly Rent of two Hundred Pounds, to be paid out of the Treasury of the Province in two equal half Yearly Payments, the said Rent to commence when the said Building shall be fitted up and compleated by the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran*, agreeable to such Plan as the said Commissioners with the Consent and Approbation of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, shall agree to. *Provided always,* that nothing in said Lease shall oblige the Province to be at any Expence in keeping said Building in Repair, but the same shall be kept in good tenantable Repair by the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran* at their own proper Cost and Charge.

Governor to appoint three or more Commissioners to lease from Messrs. *Cochrans*, for Ten Years the new building fronting the Government House with one third of the Cellar at £200. a year.

II. *And be it further Enacted,* That if the said Commissioners or a Majority of them shall certify on the said first day of *July* to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief, that so much of the said Building, as shall be then wanted, is fit for the public Service, and that the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran*, have become bound and obliged to fully compleat and finish the whole thereof by the first Day of *October* next following, then the said yearly Rent of Two Hundred Pounds shall commence, and it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to draw by Warrant on the Treasury at the End or Expiration of every six Months for the said half yearly Rent of one Hundred Pounds for, and during the full Term of said Lease, and the Province is hereby bound to provide for the punctual and faithful Payment of such Warrants to the said *Thomas, James and William Cochran* their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns half Yearly, until the End or Expiration of said Ten Years.

Building to be fitted and kept in repair by the Lessors.

If Commissioners certify the Building fitted on the 1st *July* next and that Lessors have given Bond to compleat it by 1st of *October* then the Rent to commence, Governor to draw Warrant at the expiration of every six Months for £100. and Province to provide for punctual payment thereof.

III. *And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Com-

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mander in Chief for the time being, to grant a Warrant or Warrants on the Treasury to said Commissioners for a Sum not exceeding One Hundred Pounds to enable them to purchase and provide suitable and proper Furniture for the *Council, Assembly* and public *Court House*, said Commissioners to account for the Expenditure thereof before the Committee of public Accounts.
