

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That the Justices of the Peace or the major part of them in the severall and respective counties be and they are hereby empowered and authorised at any General Session, upon presentment of the Grand Jury that the same is necessary, to make such rules and regulations for the destruction of Thistles and to prevent the growth and increase thereof as to them shall seem meet. And to enforce such rules and regulations with such rewards, penaltics, and forfeitures as they in their discretion shall think fit.

Regulations to be made by the Justices in their Sessions of the Peace upon presentment of the Grand Jury, for destruction of Thistles.

Justices to appoint rewards or penaltics.

PROVIDED, That no penalty or forfeiture to be incurred by any regulation, so to be made, shall for any one offence exceed the sum of twenty shillings.

None to exceed twenty shillings.

II. And be it further enacted, That this act shall continue and be in force five years and no longer.

Limitation.

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An ACT to ALTER and AMEND an Act, intituled " An Act for regulating, laying out and repairing Highways and Roads and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the severall Towns or Parishes in this Province; and for suspending for a limited time all the Laws now in force relating to the same." Passed the 18th February, 1797.

WHEREAS, in and by an act made and passed in the thirty-sixth year of HIS MAJESTY'S reign, intituled " An Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing Highways and Roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways within the severall Towns or Parishes in this Province — and for suspending for a limited Time all the Laws now in force

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“relating to the same” it is enacted in and by the *ninth* section thereof “That the Surveyors of Highways in their respective Districts shall be and are hereby empowered in the fittest and most seasonable Time, between the first Day of May and the first Day of November yearly, to summon the Inhabitants contained in their respective Lists giving them at least six days notice of the Time and Place where they are to be employed, and shall there oversee and order the Persons so summoned to labour in making, mending or repairing the Highways, Roads, Streets, and Bridges in the most useful manner during the Number of Days appointed for each Person to labour; and when any Surveyor of Highways shall judge the use of Carts, Waggon, Trucks, Ploughs or Harrows more necessary than the labour of Men, in that case he may call on any Person within his District keeping any Cart, Truck, Plough, or Harrow with two Oxen or two Horses; which Cart, Truck, Plough, or Harrow with two Oxen or two Horses shall be equal to two Days labour; and such Surveyors of Highways shall be excused from any other Service on the Highways than the summoning, ordering and directing thereof.”—AND WHEREAS, great inconveniences and difficulties have been experienced by the Surveyors of Highways as well as the Inhabitants of the parishes of *Magerville* and *Sheffield* within the county of *Sunbury* arising from the periods limited by the herein before recited *ninth* section of the said act within which the Surveyors of Highways in their respective districts are thereby empowered to summon the Inhabitants contained in their respective lists to labour in making, mending or repairing the highways, roads, streets, and bridges during the number of days appointed for each person to labour; the said parishes of *Magerville* and *Sheffield* being so formed and under such a state of enclosure as to make it very difficult to procure the necessary timber for making, mending, or repairing the highways, roads, streets, and bridges within the said parishes during the periods aforesaid.

Inhabitants of the parishes of *Magerville* and *Sheffield* may perform part, not more than half, of the days labour by law required, at any time between the first day of November and the first day of May yearly.

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this act, the Surveyors of Highways for the said parishes of *Magerville* and *Sheffield* for the time being, within their respective districts, shall be and are hereby empowered to summon the Inhabitants contained in their respective lists in manner prescribed by the herein before recited *ninth* section of the said act, at such time as they shall judge to be most proper and seasonable, between the first day of November and the first day of May yearly, and shall there oversee and order the persons so summoned to labour in cutting, procuring and hawling to the High roads of the said parishes

rishtes all such timber as they may judge necessary for making, mending or repairing the highways, roads, streets, and bridges in the most useful manner, as well as in making, mending, or repairing the same during such number of days (not exceeding *half* the number of days appointed for each person to labour and to be considered and allowed by the said Surveyors as a part thereof) as they the said Surveyors shall judge to be requisite for providing for or accomplishing the purposes aforesaid, any thing in the herein before recited *ninth* section of the aforesaid act to the contrary notwithstanding.