

so producing such Certificate shall be and hereby is exempted from the ordinary duties of training or mustering, unless upon an Alarm, Invasion, Insurrection or Rebellion.

No person to be arrested during his attendance at Muster, on civil Process.

XII. *And be it further enacted*, That no person or persons shall be arrested on any civil Process whatever, during his attendance on the day of said training, or during the time of service, if called out in case of an Alarm, Invasion, Insurrection or Rebellion.

Limitation.

XIII. *And be it enacted*, That this Act shall be and remain in force for *Five years* and no longer.

C A P. II.

An ACT for altering the Times of holding the Inferior Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the County of KING'S.
Passed the 5th of March, 1802.

WHEREAS the times appointed for holding the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace and Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of King's, has been found inconvenient; for remedy thereof—

Be it enacted, by the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, *Council and Assembly*, That the said Courts shall hereafter be holden on the *FIRST* Tuesday in *March*, instead of the *SECOND* Tuesday in *February*, in each and every year.

C A P. III.

An ACT for altering the Times of holding the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace and Common Pleas in the County of WESTMORLAND.
Passed the 5th of March, 1802.

WHEREAS the times for holding the Court of General Sessions of the Peace and Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the County of Westmorland, have been inconvenient—

Courts to be holden in June and December.

Return Terms of the Common Pleas in March and September.

Be it enacted, by the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, *Council and Assembly*, That the said Courts shall be hereafter holden on the *SECOND* Tuesdays in *June* and *December* in each year, at which Terms the Juries shall be summoned to attend, and the additional Terms or return Courts of the said Court of Common

mon Pleas, shall be holden on the SECOND Tuesdays in *March* and *September*, in each year, any Law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That no Procefs shall abate or be discontinued by reason of the alteration of the said Terms, but shall and may be proceeded upon, heard and determined at the times herein appointed, in the same manner as they might have been proceeded upon had no alteration been made. No Procefs to abate or be discontinued by reason of the alteration.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That the several and respective Town and Parish officers, shall annually be appointed on the SECOND Tuesday in *December*, any Law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding. Parish officers to be appointed in December.

C A P. IV.

An ACT to render Persons convicted of PETTY LARCENY, competent Witnesses. Passed the 5th of March, 1802.

WHEREAS Persons convicted of Grand Larceny are by their Punishment restored to their Credit as Witnesses, but Persons convicted of Petty Larceny, are rendered and remain wholly incompetent to be examined as Witnesses—

Be it therefore enacted, by the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, no person shall be an incompetent Witness by reason of a conviction for Petty Larceny.

C A P. V.

An ACT for the easy and speedy Recovery of Small Debts, and for regulating the proceedings thereon. Passed the 5th of March, 1802.

BE it enacted, by the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, Council and Assembly, That all actions wherein the Sum or matter in demand shall not exceed *Five pounds*, shall be heard and determined before any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace in the respective Counties of this Province, and no other Court shall hold Plea or Jurisdiction of the same, and that the ordinary Procefs shall be by Summons under the hand and seal of such Justice directed to the Constable of the Town or Parish where the Defendant shall reside, which Procefs shall express the time and place of appearance and cause of action, and shall be served at least Six days before the time of Trial, and such service shall be by reading the same in the Defendant's hearing, or by leaving a true and attested Copy thereof at the Defendant's usual place of abode. Actions for sums not exceeding 5^l. to be heard and determined before one Justice of the Peace Ordinary Procefs to be by Summons directed to the Constable of the Parish where Defendant resides. Shall be served six days before trial.