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15. On laying the Levies, Six per Cent shall be levied and allowed to the Sheriff, and Five per Cent on the Clergy's 30 per Poll. 1763, *ch. 18, §. 22, 23.*

16. The Sheriff shall be allowed 5 per Cent for collecting Parochial Taxes. See *Vestry, 27.*

17. For all other Matters relating to the Levies; see *Levies, 16—28.*

18. The Sheriff, or his Deputy, shall Read the Act for preventing the tumultuous Meetings, &c. of Negroes and other Slaves, &c. in every County Court: On Forfeiture of 500^{lb} Tobacco for every Omission. 1723, *ch. 15, §. 8.*

19. The Sheriff's Certificate to the Public Treasurer, of the actual Execution, or Death of any Slave under Confinement, after Condemnation, is necessary, in order for the Owners to receive the Value of their Condemned Slaves. See *Negroes, 36, 42, 45.*

20. Slaves committing Felony of Death, shall be committed to the Sheriff, in order to be tried the next Assize or County Court. 1751, *ch. 14, §. 4.*

21. Sheriffs shall cause the Act for the more effectual Punishment of Negroes, and other Slaves, &c. to be read at the Court-house Door, on the Second Day of each County Court, on Forfeiture of 5^{l.} Current Money for every Neglect, &c. *Ibid. §. 11.*

22. Sheriffs shall Read the Act entitled, *An Additional Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act relating to Servants and Slaves*, on the Wednesday of each respective County Court, having first given Notice of such Reading, by Proclamation, at the several Ordinaries, or Houses of Entertainment, near to the Court-House, on Pain of forfeiting 500^{lb} Tobacco: One Half to the County School, the other to the Informer, for every Neglect. 1748, *ch. 19, §. 5.*

23. For the Sheriff's Duty, with respect to Runaways when committed to his Custody; see *Runaways, 9, 10.*

24. No Sheriff shall execute for Officers Fees, where the Party shall produce the former Sheriff's Receipt, or otherwise make appear the same to be paid; on Penalty of treble the Sum Executed, and Costs, to the Party grieved. 1715, *ch. 46, §. 6.*

25. Sheriff's Bonds shall be taken in the several County Courts in the Form prescribed in this Act: Which Bond shall be transmitted by the County Justices to the Secretary's Office within Two Months; on Forfeiture of 1500^{lb} Tobacco. And the Secretary, or his Chief Clerk of the Provincial Court, shall lay the Bonds, so received, before the Governor, at the next Council, for his Approbation or Disallowance of the Securities. *Ibid. §. 7—9.*

26. The County Courts shall require and take new Security of the Sheriffs, yearly, in a Penalty answerable to the Public Charge of their respective Counties; but in no Case less than 200,000^{lb} Tobacco. *Ibid. §. 9.*

27. Sheriffs, against whom no just Complaint is made, may be continued in Office Three Years successively, but no longer. *Ibid. §. 10.*

28. Bonds, Bills or Writings obligatory, taken by Sheriffs in their own Counties, during their Continuance in Office, without endorsing the Account on the Back thereof, for which the same was passed, shall be void, and not recoverable in Law. But, that they may receive no Damage by such Restraint, the Time they remain in Office shall not be reckoned in the Act of Limitation. *Ibid. §. 13, 14.*

29. No Sheriff shall charge more than single Imprisonment Fees; though the Party be in Prison at the Suit of several Persons. *Ibid. §. 15.*

30. Where any Inhabitants shall have any Allowance in Public or County Levies, payable (by the Paper Money Act of 1733, *ch. 6,*) in Bills of Credit at 10^{s.} per Hundred, and at the same Time are chargeable with Tobacco in the said Levies, which may be payable in Money by the 10th April, yearly; the several Sheriffs shall be obliged to discount such Tobacco,

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so far forth as their respective Allowances in such Levies shall amount to, either before, or after the 10th April, yearly. 1742, *ch. 7, §. 3.*

31. The several Sheriffs shall, on the First Day of June Court, yearly, make out Two Alphabetical Lists of the Names of the Persons in their respective Counties, who are chargeable with any Public Dues, &c. inserting the Tobacco with which every such Person is chargeable; and the Money, if any, paid in Discharge thereof, by the 10th April then next preceding, and make Oath to the Truth thereof: One of which Lists shall be delivered to the Court, and the other set up at the Court-House, for the Inspection of all Persons concerned: And shall pay, &c. every particular Creditor so much Money as shall bear the same proportion to the whole of his Allowance, as the whole Money, so paid by the said 10th April, bears to the whole Public, &c. Charge, in that County; payable in Money. *Ibid. §. 4, 5.*

32. The Sheriff shall, on or before the 1st March, yearly, set up Notes at the Church Doors, and other Public Places, giving Notice of a certain Day in each Week, on which he, or his Under-Sheriff will give constant Attendance at the Court-house, from Nine in the Morning, till Five in the Afternoon, from the said 1st March to the 10th April inclusive, excepting the Week in which March Court is held; and for Two Days next before the said 10th April, (Sunday excepted) for receiving the Levies. *Ibid. §. 6.*

33. Persons, tendering their respective Quotas, or any Part of the Money due for their Levies, to the Sheriff, or his Deputy, at the High Sheriff's Dwelling-house, or at the Court-house, during March Court, or at the Places and Times so as aforesaid appointed, before One or more credible Witnesses; and such Sheriff, &c. refusing or neglecting to receive the same; such Persons shall not, at any Time afterwards, be obliged to pay Tobacco for such Levies, or so much thereof as they had tendered Money for; but shall be at their own Election to pay the same in Money or Tobacco. *Ibid. §. 7.*

34. Sheriffs shall comply with the Act of 1742, *ch. 7.* (See *above*, Art. 30—33,) so far as relates to Discount, making out, &c. Lists of Levies, and of the Money paid, or Certificates returned, by such as make no Tobacco; Attendance to receive the Dues, and proportionable Payment thereof in Money or Tobacco, to Public Creditors. 1763, *ch. 18, §. 28.*

For other Matters, see *Attorneys, 7. Criminal Fees, 1—3. Cursing, &c. per Tot. Discount, per Tot. Indians, 12. Indians Lands, 16, 17. Musters, 7, 9. Officers Fees, 5, 6. Public Arms, 3—9. Public Creditors, 1. Public Dues, 1. Public Goal, 1, 2. Special Bail, 1—3. Stay of Execution, 1, 2.*

SHERIFFS BONDS. See *Administration Bonds, 4—6. Levies, 19. Limitation of Actions, 8. Navigation Bonds, 2. Public Creditors, 1.*

SHIPS. See *Boats, 1, 2.*

SHOPS. See *House-breaking, 2.*

SHRINKAGE. See *Inspectors, 21.*

SILVER. See *Gold and Silver.*

SINGLE MAGISTRATE.

1. A Single Magistrate can take Probat of any Accounts. See *Accounts, 2.*

2. Any Provincial or County Justice, being informed on Oath, &c. that any Person is actually run away, &c. and is really indebted to the Person making Application, &c. may issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Court, who shall issue Attachment thereon in the usual Form, &c. See *Attachment, 9.*

3. Any County Magistrate may commit any single Person, or Free-man brought before him by a Constable, till such Person shall procure some House-keeper to return him as a Taxable, and be answerable for his Levy. 1719, *ch. 12, §. 7.*

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