

Limits of their Commission, as by the same Act more plainly is contained, and may appear:

II. And forasmuch as the said Act doth not extend to such Prisoners as shall be brought before any Justice of Peace for Manslaughter or Felony, and by such Justice shall be committed to ward for the Suspicion of such Manslaughter or Felony, and not bailed, in which Case, the Examination of such Prisoner, and of such as shall bring him, is as necessary, or rather more than where such Prisoner shall be let to Bail or Mainprise: (2) Be it therefore enacted by the Authority of this present Parliament, That from henceforth such Justice or Justices \*before whom any Person shall be brought for Manslaughter or Felony, or for Suspicion thereof, before he or they shall commit or send such Prisoner to Ward, shall take the Examination of such Prisoner, and Information of those that bring him, of the Fact and Circumstances thereof, and the same, or as much thereof as shall be material to prove the Felony, shall put in writing within two Days after the said Examination; (3) and the same shall certify in such Manner and Form, and at such Time as they should and ought to do, if such Prisoner so committed or sent to Ward had been Bailed or let to Mainprise, upon such Pain as in the said former Act is limited and appointed for not taking, or not certifying such Examinations as in the said former Act is expressed. (4) And be it further enacted, That the said Justices shall have Authority by this Act, to bind all such by Recognizance or Obligation, as do declare any Thing material to prove the said Manslaughter or Felony against such Prisoner as shall be so committed to Ward, to appear at the next general Gaol-delivery to be holden within the County, City or Town Corporate where the Trial of the said Manslaughter or Felony shall be, then and there to give Evidence against the Party; (5) and that the said Justices shall certify the said Bonds taken before them, in like manner as they should and ought to certify the Bonds mentioned in the said former Act, upon Pain as in the said former Act is mentioned, for not certifying such Bonds as by the said former Act is limited and appointed to be certified.

I. Justices of Peace shall examine Persons arrested of Felony, &c. and shall bind their Accusers to give Evidence against them. 1 & 2 P. & M. c. 13.