

Burialls heretofore made, with any Clarke of any County Court according to the direccōns of such Laws, as were then in force, before any of those Laws were in being. And that the Register of each Parish may be enabled to performe the Charge hereby required of him. Bee it Enacted by the Authority Advise and consent Aforesaid, That if there be any Vestry of any Parishes that has not already Provided good and Substantiall Writeing books: well bound sufficient for registering such proceedings, in according to the direccōns of the former Laws: that in every such case of such neglect or omīssion the Vestry of such parish shall at the Parish charge, Provide such book or books w<sup>th</sup>in Six moneths from the end of this Session of Assembly under the Penalty of ffive hundred pounds of Tob° each Vestryman (the Minister only excepted) neglecting as aforesaid. To our Sovereigne Lord the KING, for the uses within mencōned: And that there may be noe neglect in the Vestry of those Employ'd under them in the Lawfull and conscionable Performance of their Severall charges. The said severall Vestrys are hereby obliged to meet once in every moneth, or as often as need shall require upon publick notice given by the Principall Vestryman of each Parish To Consult of the methods and ways of performing the severall Authorities reposed in them. And from which Vestry soe Appointed, noe Vestryman being Personally summoned shall without a Lawfull or reasonable Excuse Absent himselfe under the Penalty of such fine or Mulct as the residue of the said Vestry meeting shall Lay upon them, soe as the same never Exceeds One hundred pounds of Tob° and upon default or neglect in such Principall Vestryman as is before mencōned to Sumon a Vestry when there is need for one, and he is thereunto requested any other Three of the Vestry or if there shall happen by any Accident To be but Two of the said Vestry, beside the principall Vestryman resideing in the said Parish, such Three or Two shall have power and Authority To Sumon and Appoint a Vestry to be holden: And all such omission and neglects to be noted in the Vestrys Reg<sup>r</sup> of proceedings And any forfeiture thereby incur'd to be recovered in his Matyes name and the said severall and respective Vestrys are hereby further Enjoynd That where there is not Tables of Marriages already put up in their respective Parish Churches, with all convenient Speed, and within Six moneths at the most To procure a faire Table of Marriages Transcribed and sett up In their respective Churches, and the same keep continu- p. 407  
ally in their said Churches and persons being thereby informed what Marriages are forbidden may avoyd the contracting of any such unlawfull marriages. And that the said Vestrymen & the rest of the Inhabitants of every Parish being free holders