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Out houses contiguous to or used therewith and all trespasses Ingresses Regrettings Invasions and
 Disturbances whatsoever and of all the Misdemeanors and Offences whatsoever of which Justices of the
 Peace lawfully may be sought to be done or committed in our County of *P.* Done or committed
 or which may hereafter happen to be done or committed and also of all those who in our County of *P.* in
 riotous Manner have gone or shall hereafter presume to go or ride with armed force against
 our peace to the disturbance of the Kings Subjects and of all such who in our County of *P.* have slain or
 shall hereafter presume to lie in wait to slay or kill any of the Kings Subjects and also of all
 Ordinary Leapers and other persons who have offended or hereafter shall presume to offend in the
 Abuse of Weights or Measures Against the Acts of Assembly for the Common Good and profit now
 in this province made and used and also of the Sheriffs Bailiffs Constables and other Officers who have
 or shall hereafter misbehave themselves in the Execution of their Office or have been therein or
 Negligent in the Execution thereof or shall happen to be within our County of *P.* and of all and every
 the Articles Matters and Things whatsoever howsoever or by Whomsoever in our County of *P.* Done or
 committed or that shall hereafter happen to be done or committed concerning the premises or any
 of them and to Suspect all Indictments before you or any of you taken or to be taken or before any
 Late Justices of the Peace within our said County had and taken and not yet Determined and proceed
 therein Against all or any person or persons so Indicted or which shall hereafter happen to be
 Indicted within our County of *P.* to make and continue until they shall be taken or surrender themselves
 or be Outlawed and to hear and determine all and every the following petty Treasons Murders Reges
 upon White Women Wilfull burning of any Dwelling house or Out house contiguous to and used with
 any Dwelling house or any other Out house wherein there shall be any person or any Goods or
 Merchandises Tobacco Indian Corn or Tadder and all other Capitall Offences Done or perpetrated by
 any Negro or other Slave and likewise all Consulting Advising and Conspiring of Negroes and
 other Slaves to Rebel or raise any Insurrection or to murder or poison any person or to Ravish
 any White woman or to Attempt to burn any Dwelling house or Out houses contiguous to and
 therewith Trespasses Ingresses Regrettings Rich Judgments and all other the Matters of
 according to the Laws Customs and directions of the Acts of Assembly of *P.* so far forth as they provide
 and where they are silent according to the Laws Statutes and Reasonable Customs of England as
 used and practised within this province and the said Delinquents and every of them to Chastise and
 Punish by fines Penances Amerciaments forfeitures and otherwise according to the Laws Customs
 Directions of the Acts of Assembly of *P.* so far forth as they provide and where they are silent according
 to the Laws Statutes and Reasonable Customs of England as used and practised within this province
 But we will not that you Proceed in any of the Cases aforesaid to take Life or Member any of Negroes
 and other Slaves but that in every such Case you send the Prisoners with their Indictments and the said
 Matters depending before you to our Justices of Assize Vice Justices and Goal delivery at the next Court
 of Oyer and Terminer to be held for our said County but Whomsoever or Whomsoever to be holden there
 to be tried And we Command you and every of you Diligently to intend the keeping the peace Acts of Assembly
 Laws Customs and Statutes of *P.* and all and every the premises and that at your County Courts you make
 Inquisition and hear and determine as aforesaid therein what to Justice Appertains according to the
 Customs and directions of the Acts of Assembly of *P.* so far forth as they provide and where they are silent
 according to the Laws Statutes and Reasonable Customs of England as used and practised within this
 Province And further we do constitute Ordain and Appoint you the said Benjamin Tasker Charles
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