

8. By Pretext whereof some of your Majesty's Subjects have been by some of the said Commissioners put to Death, when and where, if by the Laws and Statutes of the Land, they had deserved Death, by the same Laws and Statutes also they might, and by no other ought to have been judged and executed.

9. And also sundry grievous Offenders, by colour thereof, claiming an Exemption, have escaped the Punishments due to them by the Laws and Statutes of this your Realm, by reason that divers of your Officers and Ministers of Justice have unjustly refused or forborn to proceed against such Offenders, according to the same Laws and Statutes, upon pretence that the said Offenders were punishable only by Martial Law, and by Authority of such Commission as aforesaid; (2.) Which Commissions, and all other of like nature, are wholly and directly contrary to the said Laws and Statutes of this your Realm.

10. They do therefore humbly pray your most Excellent Majesty, that no Man hereafter be compelled to make or yield any Gift, Loan, Benevolence, Tax, or suchlike Charge, without common Consent by Act of Parliament; (2.) And that none be called to make answer, or take such Oath, or to give Attendance, or be confined, or otherwise molested or disquieted concerning the same, or for Refusal thereof; (3.) And that no Freeman in any such manner as is before mentioned be imprisoned, or detained. (4.) And that your Majesty would be pleased to remove the said Soldiers and Mariners, and that your People may not be so burthened in time to come; (5.) And that the foresaid Commissions for proceeding by Martial Law, may be revoked and annulled; and that hereafter no Commissions of like nature may issue forth to any Person or Persons whatsoever to be executed as aforesaid, lest by colour of them, any of your Majesty's Subjects be destroyed, or put to Death contrary to the Laws and Franchise of the Land.

11. All which they most humbly pray of your most excellent Majesty, as their Rights and Liberties, ac-