

Of the Duty of a Constable in Affrays.

HE may by Vertue of his Office put a Man into the Stocks who breaks the Peace, *in his View*; or he may secure him till he can carry him before a Justice of Peace; *without any Warrant*, but if the Quarrel is over before he come, he must then have a *Warrant*.

If he hath Notice of a Quarrel and refuseth to go to the Place, he may be presented by the Grand Jury at the Sessions, and fined.

If any Persons are about to quarrel, he may command them to depart; and if they resist him in such Case, he may justifie the Beating them; he may command other Persons to assist him, and if any of them happen to be killed, 'tis Murder.

He may break open the Doors of an House where any Persons are quarrelling and fighting; and if any of them are wounded, he may secure the Offender 'till he can bring him before a Justice of Peace.

Ale-houses and Inns.

THE Constable is to levy twenty Shillings to the Use of the Poor, upon such who keep *unlicensed Alehouses*, and he may sell the Goods on which he levies it after three Days; and if no Distress can be had, he may cause the Offender to be whipt; and if he neglect it, then one Justice may commit the Constable without Bail, untill the Alehouse-keeper is punished, or until the Constable pay forty Shillings to the use of the Poor, &c.

He must levy twenty Shillings upon an Alehouse-keeper selling less than in full Quarts, &c. or he forfeits forty Shillings himself, to be levied by a Warrant of one Justice; and if no Distress can be taken, then he must be committed.

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