

*Excise.*

A Constable must be present with the Officer of Excise, when he enters into a Brew-house by Night to gauge any Vessel.

He must levy the Penalties on Offenders against the Laws of Excise, by Distress, and by Warrant, &c. And if no Distress can be taken, he must by the same Warrant carry him to Gaol.

He may enter with a Gauger in the *Night-time* the House of a Retailer of *Vinegar*, *Cyder*, &c. for Sale: Such Retailer refusing him Entrance, forfeits 15*l.* and a Brewer refusing him Entrance, forfeits 20*l.*

A Constable together with an Excise man, who suspects any secret Conveyance of Worts, may upon Request, break open a Door in the *Night-time*, and if opposed, the Offender forfeits 20*l.*

*Felons.*

Constable is bound *ex Officio* to endeavour to take Felons, and may call Persons to his Assistance; he may likewise apprehend any one upon Suspicion; and upon Complaint, or even upon Common Fame, he may enter and search suspicious Houses.

The Constable may seize a Felon who flies, and make an Inventory of his Goods, and send Hue and Cry after him; (*i. e.*) he may raise the Town, and give notice to the next Constable; and if he neglect, he may be fined by the Justices.

The Petty Constables of every Parish are to set a Tax on every Inhabitant of those Parishes, which are taxed by two Justices for Damages recovered upon the Statute of Hue and Cry, and levy the same by Distress.