

Council, whereupon it should and might be lawful for his said late Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, to make his or their Order in his or their Privy-Council, thereby requiring and commanding such Offender or Offenders to surrender himself or themselves, within the Space of Forty Days, to any of the Justices of the Court of King's Bench, or to any one Justice of the Peace, to the End that he or they might be forthcoming to answer the Offence or Offences wherewith he or they should so stand charged, according to the due Course of Law; which Order should be printed and published in the next London Gazette, and should be forthwith transmitted to the Sheriff of the County where the Offence should be committed, and should within Six Days after the Receipt thereof, be proclaimed by him or his Officers, between the Hours of Ten in the Morning, and Two in the Afternoon, in the Market Places, upon the respective Market Days of two Market Towns in the same County, near the Place where such Offence should be committed, and a true Copy of such Order should be affixed upon some publick Place in such Market Towns; and in case such Offender or Offenders should not surrender himself or themselves pursuant to such Order of his said late Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, to be made in Council as aforesaid, he or they so neglecting or refusing to surrender himself or themselves as aforesaid, should from the Day appointed for his or their Surrender as aforesaid, be adjudged, deemed, and taken to be convicted and attainted of Felony, and should suffer Pains of Death, as in case of a Person convicted and attainted by Verdict and Judgment of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy; and that it should be lawful to and for the Court of King's Bench, or the Justices of Oyer and Terminer, or general Goal Delivery for the County where the Offence is sworn in such Information to have been committed, upon producing to them such Order in Council, under the Seal of the said Council, to award Execution against such Offender and Offenders, in such Manner as if he or they had been convicted and attainted in the said Court of King's Bench, or before such Justices of Oyer and Terminer, or general Goal Delivery respectively: And it was by the said Act enacted, That all and every Person and Persons, who should after the Time appointed as aforesaid, for the Surrender of any Person or Persons, so charged upon Oath with any of the Offences aforesaid, be expired, conceal, aid, abet, or succour such Person or Persons, knowing him or them to have been so charged as aforesaid, and to have been required to surrender himself or themselves by such Order or Orders as aforesaid, being lawfully convicted thereof, should be guilty of Felony, and should suffer Death as in Cases of Felony, without Benefit of Clergy; and it was thereby further enacted, That if any Person or Persons should appre-

hend, or cause to be convicted, any of the Offenders before mentioned, and should be killed, or wounded so as to lose an Eye or the Use of any Limb, in apprehending or securing, or in endeavouring to apprehend or secure, any of the Offenders before mentioned, upon Proof thereof made at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, for the County, Liberty, Division, or Place, where the Offence was or should be committed, or the Party killed or receive such Wound, by the Person or Persons so apprehending and causing the said Offender to be convicted, or the Person or Persons so wounded, or the Executors or Administrators of the Party killed, the Justices of the said Sessions should give a Certificate thereof to such Person or Persons so wounded, or to the Executors or Administrators of the Person or Persons so killed, by which he or they should be entitled to receive of the Sheriff of the said County the Sum of Fifty Pounds, to be allowed the said Sheriff in passing his Accounts in the Exchequer; which Sum of Fifty Pounds the said Sheriff was thereby required to pay within Thirty Days from the Day in which such Certificate should be produced and shown unto him, under the Penalty of forfeiting the Sum of Ten Pounds to the said Person or Persons to whom such Certificate should be given; for which said Sum of Ten Pounds, as well as the said Sum of Fifty Pounds, such Person might and was thereby authorized to bring an Action upon the Case against such Sheriff, as for Money had and received for his or their Use, as by the said Act (amongst other Penalties and Provisions therein contained) may appear: And whereas the said recited Act, being Temporary, was, by an Act passed in the Twelfth Year of his said late Majesty's Reign, continued from the Expiration thereof for Five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, and by one other Act passed the last Session of Parliament, was further continued until the First Day of September, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and thirty-six, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament: And whereas We are deeply sensible of the many mischievous Consequences that must inevitably ensue to the Peace of this our Kingdom, and the Properties of our loving Subjects, from the wicked and detestable Practices in the said recited Act mentioned, and are therefore firmly resolved to cause the said Act to be effectually put in Execution; but being also desirous, out of our fatherly Tenderness for our People, that none of them should be ignorant of the same, nor unwarily subject themselves to the Punishments thereby inflicted, We have thought fit, with the Advice of our Privy Council, to issue this our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby strictly charge and command, that no Person or Persons whatsoever do