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AN ACT concerning the criminal law

Short title given by Pre-Revestment Written Laws (Ascertainment) Act 1978 Sch. Whole Act confirmed by Pre-Revestment Laws (Ascertainment) Act 1978 Sch, except provisions (2) to (4).

II. No punishment in Criminal Case but on Verdict of Jury.

And on Affidavit first made.

Courts to retain Power of committing for Contempt.

Secondly, And be it further declared, ordained, and enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Court, Judge, or magistrate within this Isle whatsoever shall have Power or Authority for the future to impose or inflict any Fines or Punishments upon any Person or Persons within the said Isle, for or on Account of any criminal Cause whatsoever, untill he, she, or they be first convicted by the Verdict or Presentment of four, six, or more Men, as the Case shall require, upon some Statute Law in force in the said Island, nor to imprison any Person or Persons arbitrarily before a proper Complaint is made and lodged, and Affidavit made to the Truth thereof;

- (1) Provided, that this Statute shall not be construed or understood to hinder any person finding himself agrieved from the Benefit of Traversing as accustomed.
- (2) to (4)
- (5) And that Courts of Justice and Magistrates doing the Duty of their Offices shall have and continue the Power of comitting and fining any Person or Persons for contemptuous Behaviour, insulting or abuseing them, or any of them, in the Execution of their Duty, according as the Nature of the Offence shall demeritt.¹

ENDNOTES

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¹ Proviso (5) amended by Justices Act 1836 s 8.