

The King may pardon Piracy. But then it ought
to be specially done. For a General Pardon of all Colonies
is not Extended to Piracy before 3d Feby. 112. That probably
is the last day of the year. It is also probable
that the law of England took no Notice of Piracy as
a Colony should be now tried and punished as such according
to that law; but also because piracy being a Crime
which all breeding Nations are Concerned to have sever-
ely punished, it shoudt not Escape Under the Eye
of a General Pardon; without being specially Mentioned

Sect. 8. Of Oppression and Extortions ~~in the~~ under fense.

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Of Oppression and Extortion.

Oppression is a sin and proper force is a
way of him who forced Nothing or the putting a
for Under a Necessity to give and something, which
is obliged to give or do. Nothing of what is claimed
Takes Extortion it properly the lacking of Money
by others Under Colour of his Authority or

None at all is due, or Not so Much as due, or where it is not yet due to be paid, &c. But Oppression and Extortion are Merely Confounded at Equivalent terms, Signifying in General, the Doing or taking by Violence or force, what is not warranted by law. By force is Meant, the Actual Control and Impose a Necessity upon the Will. The punishment of this Crime is Considered as arbitrary Act 34 Parl. 3. S. 3. and sometimes Capital Act 42 Parl. 1. I. 4. act 38 Parl. 11. & 6. Oppression is ordinarily labelled as an Aggravating quality of other Crimes. But it is often punished as a Crime per se. Magistrate or the King in his capacity of Under Sheriff.

Oppression is done either by Magistrate or Ministers of Justice or other persons in office under Colours of law. 2^d By private persons in Malice for temporal and Oppression of law and Justice.

Sect. 1. ~~of Appomattox committed under color of law~~
or Authority.

Suit opposition Under Colour of law or Authority
Refers to what is termed Conciliation in the Civil law
l. f. do Conciliation l. 3. f. quod Mot. can. l. 3 f. do Con-
cili. altero. can. l. 6. 5. 6. f. do offic. Proced. l. 1. Co-
de Super Exact. Nov. 124 cap. 3.