

twelve months' imprisonment at hard labor, and be branded on the forehead with the letter T, and for the second offense shall suffer imprisonment during life.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6. See Appendix I, Section II, and the Act of Assembly passed January 12, 1705-6, Chapter 117.

CHAPTER X.

AN ACT AGAINST FIRING OF HOUSES, &c.

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Proprietary and Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the freemen of this Province and Territories, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That whosoever shall be convicted of wilfully firing any man's house, warehouse, outhouse, barn or stable, shall forfeit his or her whole estate to the party suffering, and be imprisoned all their lives in the House of Correction at hard labor to the behoof of the said party suffering. And whosoever shall be convicted of willfully firing any man's stacks or ricks of corn, hay, wood or fence, or any man's vessel, boat or canoe, shall make fourfold satisfaction and suffer a year's imprisonment as aforesaid, to the use and behoof of the party suffering; and if the party offending be unable to make such satisfaction, then he or she shall be sold to the behoof of the party suffering.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6. See Appendix I, Section II, and the Act of Assembly passed January 12, 1705-6, Chapter 125.

CHAPTER XI.

AN ACT AGAINST FORCIBLE ENTRY.

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Proprietary and Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the freemen of this Province

and Territories, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That whosoever shall violently or forcibly enter in to the house or possessions of any other person within this province or territories, being duly convicted thereof, shall be punished as a breaker of the peace, and make such satisfaction to the party aggrieved as the circumstances of the fact will bear.

Passed November 27, 1700; allowed to become a law by lapse of time, in accordance with the proprietary charter, having been considered by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6, and not acted upon. See Appendix I, Section II, and the Act of Assembly passed March 1, 1799, Chapter 2023.

CHAPTER XII.

AN ACT AGAINST MENACING AND ASSAULT AND BATTERY.

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Proprietary and Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the freemen of this Province and counties annexed in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That whosoever shall assault or menace his or her parent, and be duly convicted thereof, shall suffer six months' imprisonment at hard labor, and be publicly whipped with thirty-one lashes on his or her bare back, well laid on. And whosoever shall assault or manace a magistrate, and be convict thereof, shall be fined in any sum not exceeding five pounds. And if any servant shall assault or menace his or her master or mistress, and be convict thereof, he or she shall be imprisoned six months, and at the expiration of their time shall make such satisfaction for the master's or mistress' loss of the said six months, as two justices of the peace shall appoint. And if any person or persons shall write or speak slightly, or carry themselves abusively against any magistrate or person in office, being duly convicted thereof, such person, for every such offense, shall be fined according to the quality of the magistrate or officer and nature of the offense: Provided, It be not less than five nor more than fifty shillings. And if any person be