

CHAPTER XXVII.

AN ACT LIMITING THE PRESENTMENTS OF THE GRAND JURY.

For the prevention of unnecessary presentments and charges to the inhabitants of this province and territories:

[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 from henceforth, nothing which may be determined by justices of the peace according to law, shall be presentable by any the grand juries of this province and territories, nor shall any indictment for trespass hereafter lie where the plaintiff may have his remedy against the defendant by the laws of this government, any law, usage or custom to be contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6.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 129.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

AN ACT TO ASCERTAIN THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF ASSEMBLY AND TO REGULATE THE ELECTIONS.

For the prevention of all dispute and uncertainty for the future, what persons shall be accounted freeman of this province and territories, and have right of electing or being elected members of assembly:

[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 there shall be four persons elected yearly in each respective county of this province and territories to serve as members of assembly. And that no inhabitant of