

dealing together be indebted to each other upon bonds, bills, bargains or the like, provided they be of equal dignity and clearness, the defendant shall, in his plea or answer to the plaintiff's declaration, acknowledge the debt which the plaintiff demands from him and defalk what the plaintiff is indebted to him the said defendant, upon the like dignity and clearness.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council February 7, 1705-6.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 150.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

AN ACT AGAINST SPEAKING IN DEROGATION OF COURTS.

[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 if any person or persons, at any time or times hereafter, speak rudely anything in derogation of any sentence or judgment given in any court of record within this province or territories, or shall misbehave himself in the said courts during the sitting thereof, such person so offending shall be fined at the discretion of that or the next court or sessions, not exceeding forty shillings.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6. See Appendix I, Section II.

CHAPTER XL.

AN ACT FOR THE APPRIZEMENT OF GOODS.

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Proprietary and Governor, by