CHAPTER 56.

LAW ABOUT THE MANNER OF PUNISHMENTS.

Chapter 56. And be it &c: That as in diverse Laws the penalty of the Offence, is thus exprest, either a certain Sum of Mony, or a certain time of imprisonment, at hard Labour in the house of Correction.... It Shall be Left to the Choice of the Civil- Magistrate, which of the 2 punishments hee will inflict upon the persons so offending. And whosoever shall know of any of the fore-mentioned Offences, and inform the civil Magistrat therof, shall have 1/3 of the fine, And if any one Shall Conceal Such person, hee or shee shall pay one half of the fine due from the guilty persons.

Originally chapter 66, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, session and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 34.

CHAPTER 57.

LAW ABOUT ELIGIBILITY AS FREE MEN AND OFFICE HOLDERS.

Chapter 57. *And* to the End, That it may be known Who those are That, in this Province & Territories therunto belonging, have Right of free-men to Choose or to be Chosen, & with the Proprietary & Governour make and Enact Laws.

That every Inhabitant of the said Province & territories therunto annexed, that is or shall be a Purchaser of .100. acres of Land, and hath Seated the same, his heirs & assigns...

And every person who shall have paid his passage & taken up .100. acres of Land at 1 penny per acre & hath Seated the Same...

And every person that hath bin a Servant of Bond-man, & is free by his Service, & shall have taken up his .50. acres of Land, & seated the same...

And every Inhabitant, Artificer or other Resident in the said Province or territories that payeth Scot & Lot to the government...