
 CHAPTER XLV.

 AN ACT TO PREVENT ALL DUELLING AND FIGHTING OF DUELS WITHIN
 THIS PROVINCE AND TERRITORIES.

For prevention of duelling and fighting of duels within 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 if any person within this government challenge the person of another to fight at sword, pistol, rapier or any other dangerous or destructive weapon, such person so challenging shall forfeit and pay (being lawfully convict thereof) the sum of twenty pounds, or suffer three months' imprisonment at hard labor; and the person accepting such challenge shall forfeit and pay the like sum of twenty pounds, or suffer imprisonment as aforesaid, the said forfeitures or payments to be to the use and behoof of the proprietary and governor, and to no other use whatsoever.

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 See Appendix I, Section II; repealed by the Act of Assembly, passed March 30, 1779, Chapter 838.

 CHAPTER XLVI.

 AN ACT FOR EMPOWERING WIDOWS AND ADMINISTRATORS TO SELL SO
 MUCH OF THE LANDS OF INTESTATES AS MAY BE SUFFICIENT TO
 CLEAR THEIR DEBTS, &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 if any person die intestate, being owner of

lands within this province or territories thereof, and leave a legal issue behind him, but no sufficient personal estate for their maintenance or pay of debts, in such case it shall be lawful for the widow or administrator to make sale of such part or parcel of the said lands as the Orphans' Court shall think fit, towards the defraying of the just debts of such intestate, the education of his children and the improving the remainder of the estate (if any be) to their advantage.

Passed November 27, 1700; repealed by the Queen in Council, February 7, 1705-6.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 133.

CHAPTER XLVII.

AN ACT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE PERSON OF THE PROPRIETARY AND GOVERNOR.

For the preservation of the person of our proprietary and governor from the violent hands and destructive designs and attempts of wicked and unreasonable men, and that the awe of punishment may deter them from all such evil, willful and malicious purposes:

[Section I.] Be it enacted by the Proprietary and Governor, and the freemen of this Province and Territories in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That if any person within this province or territories thereof shall compass, devise or endeavor the death, destruction or any bodily harm tending to the death or destruction, maim or wounding, imprisonment or restraint of the person of the proprietary and governor, in order to deprive or depose him of or from his government, or do stir up or assist any to invade this province or territories, such person being legally convicted thereof by the testimony of two or more credible witnesses proving the same, or by due course of law, shall forfeit half his estate real and personal, or suffer imprisonment during one whole year.