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At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Sixth Day of June, 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Third, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Sixth Day of October, 1774, in the Fourteenth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, being the Second Session of the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

14 George III - Chapter 10

An Act in Amendment of an Act, made in the Thirty Second Year of His Late Majesty's Reign, intitled, "An Act for punishing Criminal Offenders."

Whereas by an act made in the thirty second year of his late Majesty's reign, intitled, "An act for punishing criminal offenders," it is among other things enacted, "that every person convicted of perjury in manner therein mentioned, shall be set in the pillory, and that both his ears shall be nailed to the pillory, and that every person convicted of counterfeiting, impairing, diminishing or imbasing and foreign coins current in this province, in manner also therein mentioned, shall be set in the pillory, and that one of his ears shall be nailed to the pillory."

Be it therefore enacted, by the Governor, council and assembly, that the said act shall on all convictions for the offences aforesaid, be hereafter so understood and construed, and that both the ears of such offender or offenders as shall be convicted of perjury; and one of the ears of the offender or offenders as shall be convicted of counterfeiting, impairing, diminishing, or imbasing any foreign coin current in this province, shall for more exemplary punishment, be first cut off; and then nailed to the pillory, any thing expressed in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.