

CAP. XX.

An ACT to continue an Act, passed in the fifty-second year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act, relating to Wills, Legacies, and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates.

BE it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That the Act, passed in the fifty-second year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act in further addition to the Act relating to Wills, Legacies and Executors, and for the settlement and distribution of the Estates of Intestates, be continued, and the same is hereby continued, for the space of seven years, from the publication hereof, and from thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.

Continued seven years.

CAP. XXI.

An ACT relating to Trespasses.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That, from and after the publication of this Act, if any person or persons shall be found trespassing in any meadow, orchard, garden or fenced field, under cultivation and improvement, in any Township or place in this Province, with a gun or otherwise, unless by leave of the owner or occupier, he or they, for every such offence, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding ten shillings, nor less than five shillings, with costs; to be recovered on due proof before any Justice of the Peace of the County or District in which such meadow, orchard, garden or fenced field, shall lie; one half for the use of the owner or occupier of the land, and the other half for the Poor of the Township or Place where the trespasses shall be committed.

Trespassing in Meadows, Fields, &c.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons shall cut down or injure any tree or trees growing on the lands of any person or persons within any Township or place in this Province, or carry the same away, without his or their leave, he or they, for every such offence, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding forty shillings, nor less than five shillings, for each and every tree so cut and carried away, with costs; to be recovered on due proof before any Justice of the Peace for the County or District in which such lands shall lie; one half for the use of the owner of the land, and the other half for the Poor of the Township or Place where the trespass shall be committed.

Cutting down or injuring Trees, &c.

III. *And be it further enacted*. That if any person or persons shall cut down or injure any tree or trees planted for ornament, or left growing on the sides of any of the public squares, streets, or public highways in this Province, he or they shall pay for each and every ornamental tree so cut or injured, forty shillings; to be applied by the person or persons having the care or management of such public square, street or highway, in replacing or planting other ornamental trees on the sides thereof, to be recovered in the King's name, by such ways and means as are provided in and by the second section of this Act: *Provided always*, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed, to prevent any Overseer of the highways,