

owner or driver of any Carriage or Sleigh, drawn otherwise than is herein before described, shall be liable to the fines and forfeitures imposed by an Act, passed in the thirty-third year of His late Majesty George the Second, Chapter Eight, entitled, An Act to prevent disorderly riding Horses and driving Carriages, within the Town of Halifax:

Act to be
posted in Public
Houses

V. *And be it further enacted*, That every person licensed to retail Spirituous Liquors, in any House or Shop, in the said Town of Halifax, or any public road, shall, at all times hereafter, keep a printed copy of this Act posted up in the most frequented and conspicuous place in his, her or their, House or Shop.

CAP. XXVIII.

An ACT for the relief of David Williams, an Insolvent Debtor.

Preamble

WHEREAS, *David Williams, an unfortunate and insolvent Debtor, is detained in the County Jail in Halifax, although willing to deliver up all his Estate and Effects towards satisfaction of the Debt he owes :*

David Williams
entitled to his
discharge, upon
certain condi-
tions

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said David Williams shall be entitled to his discharge, upon complying with the terms and conditions mentioned in the several Acts for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, notwithstanding the Creditor or Creditors may agree to provide him with Bread, any thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding; and the Judges of His Majesty's Supreme Court are hereby impowered and directed to take judicial notice of this Act, and to govern themselves accordingly.

CAP. XXIX.

An ACT for the greater security of the Town of Halifax against Fire, and the preventing the Erection of Wooden Buildings, beyond a certain height, within the same.

Erection of
Wooden Build-
ings prohibited

BE *it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly*, That, from and after the publication of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any person to build or erect any Dwelling-House, Store, Stable, or other Out-house, within the following limits of the Town of Halifax, to wit: commencing at Morris-Street, in the South Suburbs, and extending to Cornwallis-street, in the North Suburbs, exceeding the following dimensions, that is to say: thirty feet in depth from the range of the street on which such Dwelling-House, Store, Stable or other Out-house, shall adjoin; twenty feet in height, from the surface of the stone-wall which encloses the cellar, which Wall shall not exceed two feet above the surface of the street, adjoining the said Dwelling-House, Store, Stable, or other Out-house, to the ridge pole or highest elevation of the Building, except such Dwelling-House, Store, Stable, or other Out-house, shall be made and constructed of stone, brick, or timber faced with brick, with firewalls of brick or stone, rising at least twelve inches above the roof, and covered with tile, tin, or slate, or other safe materials against fire. II.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That if any Dwelling-House, Store, or other Building, shall be erected, constructed, covered or roofed, contrary to this Act, except as herein before excepted, the Proprietor or Proprietors thereof shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay the sum of twenty pounds; and the further sum of ten pounds for every month such offence shall be and continue; and the Workmen who shall build, construct, raise, erect or roof, such Dwelling-House, Store or other Building, contrary to this Act, shall, for every such offence, forfeit and pay the sum of five pounds, to be recovered, with costs of suit, by any person who shall sue, or prosecute for the same to effect, by bill, plaint or information, in His Majesty's Supreme Court of this Province: the one half thereof to the person so prosecuting, and the other half to the use of the Poor of the said Town of Halifax.

Penalties for
violations of
Act

III. *Provided always*, That nothing in this Act shall extend, or be construed to extend, to any Wooden Buildings, that may hereafter be erected within sixty feet from the east side line of Water-Street, into the Harbour, or the westward of Barrack-Street, Pleasant-Street, in the south suburbs, and Gotengin-Street, in the north suburbs. *And provided always*, That nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prevent any person from erecting any Wooden Building, or addition to a Wooden Building, who shall have made, contracted for, or procured, any frame for a Wooden Building, or addition to a Wooden Building, before the first day of March, in this present year, provided such frame shall be erected and put up on or before the first day of June next, after the passing of this Act. *And provided always*, That nothing herein contained shall prevent any person from repairing or roofing any Wooden Building, which shall have been built before the passing of this Act.

Proviso

Repair of Wood-
en Buildings

CAP. XXX.

An ACT for the Summary Trial of Actions.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons who have debts owing to him or them, by any other person or persons, where the whole dealing, or Cause of Action, shall not exceed Five Pounds, to sue for the same in the manner following, that is to say: if the sum demanded shall not exceed Three Pounds, to cause such Debtor to be summoned to appear before any one Justice of the Peace, of the County or District where the Debtor shall reside; and if the sum demanded shall be more than Three Pounds, but does not exceed Five Pounds, to cause such Debtor to be summoned to appear before any two Justices of the Peace of the County or District where the Debtor shall dwell; and the said Justice or Justices, after such Summons, issued and duly served, is, and are hereby empowered to proceed to make up final judgment between the parties, and shall allow the Defendant to produce his Account against the Plaintiff, or any Receipt or other Discharges, for payment made, either in whole or in part; and the said Justice or Justices shall examine and enquire into the merits of both Accounts, and of such discharges, and by such other proof as to him or them shall seem requisite, or upon confession of the Debtor, to ascertain the debt due, and to decree the payment thereof, and to award costs as he shall find, whether for the Plaintiff
or

Debts not ex-
ceeding L5.
how recovered

Debts not ex-
ceeding L3.
how recovered