

ney shall have discontinued or left off, or during such time as he shall not actually practice or carry on the business of an Attorney; and Whereas, doubts are entertained whether the Prothonotary, or Deputy-Prothonotary, at Halifax, being Barristers and Attornies, can now have, take or retain, any Clerk under the provisions of the said Act:

Clerk to Prothonotary allowed and entitled to admission

I. *BE it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That any Prothonotary or Deputy-Prothonotary in the Province, being a Barrister or Attorney, shall and may have, take and retain, one Clerk, who shall be subject to the same rules, regulations and directions, as in the said recited Act contained, and shall be entitled to admission in all other respects as Clerks of Attornies, actually carrying on the business of an Attorney.*

CAP. VI.

An ACT relating to Brandy imported from certain Places.

Preamble

WHEREAS the Trade and Intercourse between this Province and the Foreign Ports in Europe and Africa is highly advantageous to the People of this Colony, and tends greatly to the encouragement of the Fisheries thereof:

AND WHEREAS, for the further increase and promotion of such Trade and Intercourse it is expedient to reduce the duties payable on Brandy, imported from such Foreign Ports:

Duty upon Brandy imported from Foreign Ports

I. *BE it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, the Council and Assembly, That, during the continuance of this Act, instead of the Rates and Duties imposed and payable under the present, or any future Acts of the General Assembly of this Province, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, a Duty of Six Pence, currency, for every gallon of Brandy imported into this Province from any Foreign Port in Europe or Africa, or from Gibraltar, Malta or the Dependencies thereof, which Duty of Six Pence shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, in the like manner, and subject to the like rules, ways and methods, and under such penalties and forfeitures, as the Duties and Rates hereby reduced.*

Continuation of Act

II. *And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force, until the twenty-fifth day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-five, and no longer.*

CAP. VII.

An ACT to restrain the issuing Writs of Attachment in certain Cases;

Writ of Attachment limited

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the publication hereof, whenever an Attachment shall issue against the Goods, Chattles

Chattles or Estate of any Person or Persons who may be jointly and severally bound for the payment of any sum of money to a greater amount than the sum sworn to and endorsed on the Writ if such Attachment shall be extended on the Goods, Chattles or Estate, of any one or more of such Debtors, to the amount sworn to and endorsed on such Writ, no further Attachment shall be made for such debt.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall not be lawful to take, under and by virtue of any Writ of Attachment, Execution, or other Process (except for rent,) the grain, hay, potatoes, or other article growing in the ground, before the same shall be severed from the ground.

Grain, Hay,
&c. not subject
to Attachment
until severed
from the
ground

III. *And be it further enacted*, That hereafter no Writ of Attachment shall be issued in any case, except against Absent or Absconding Debtors, and for the recovery of Debts contracted prior to the passing of this Act.

Writs of At-
tachment can
only be issued
against Absent
Debtors

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That the Sheriff, or his Deputy, or other Officer, to whom any Writ of Attachment shall be directed, shall not, on any pretence, take poundage for levying the same, on a greater amount than the appraised value of the property attached, and in no case shall such poundage be taken, on a greater sum, than that sworn to, and endorsed on such Writ.

Poundage al-
lowed to Sher-
riff

V. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall be in full force and effect for Five Years from the publication thereof, and from thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.

Continuance of
Act

CAP. VIII.

An ACT to alter, amend and continue, an Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts, heretofore made, relating to Trespasses.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That an Act, made and passed in the third Year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for consolidating, and reducing into one Act, all the Acts, heretofore made, relating to Trespasses, and every matter, clause and thing, therein contained, except such parts thereof as are hereby altered and amended, be continued, and the same is hereby continued, for three Years, and from thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.

Act 3d Geo:
IV. continued

Whereas, difficulties have arisen in committing of Trespassers to Jail, who refuse and neglect to pay the Fines imposed by the said Act :

II. *Be it therefore enacted*, That in all Cases, where a recovery shall be had before one Justice of the Peace, for any sum of Money under and by virtue of this Act, that the same shall be levied and collected in the same manner as in cases of other debts recoverable before one Justice, and by the form of Execution now in use ; and the Defendant

Recovery of
Fines imposed
upon Trespass-
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