

to prevent any difficulty that may hereafter arise touching the same.

Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly, That no Deed of bargain and sale, or other conveyance of any lands, tenements or hereditaments in which any *Feme Covert* is, or may be entitled to a right of Dower, shall be valid and sufficient; to bar such right or the recovery thereof, after the decease of her husband, unless such *Feme Covert*, or married woman, shall sign, seal, and deliver such deed, and shall also appear before some one of his Majesty's Council, Judge of the Supreme Court, or one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in the several counties of this province, and being examined separate and apart from her said husband, shall declare that she executed the same freely and voluntarily without any threat, fear or compulsion from him, which acknowledgment and declaration shall be entered on such deed, and registered with the same, and shall be an effectual bar, to her recovery of dower in and to the premises.

No deeds of lands in which any *feme covert* has right of dower, shall bar such right unless executed by her, and acknowledged on separate examination before a Judge.

CAP. X.

An ACT to enable the JUSTICES of the PEACE in the several COUNTIES in this PROVINCE, wherein no sufficient GOALS are erected, to send persons charged with GRAND LARCENY, and other offences of a higher nature, to the GOAL of the city and county of SAINT JOHN.

WHEREAS great inconvenience may arise to several counties in this province, for the want of a County goal, for the securing of felons, and other offenders, where the inhabitants have not yet been able to build a goal. *Preamble;*

I. *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 brought before any Justice of the Peace, in any county in this province, where no sufficient coun-

When there is not a sufficient goal in any county, persons charged with

grand larceny, or any offence of a higher nature, may be sent to the goal of the city and county of *St. John*.

ty goal is or shall be built, on any charge of Grand Larceny, or any offence of a higher nature, and such Justice shall find sufficient cause to commit such offender or offenders to goal. Then, and in that case it shall and may be lawful for such Justice, by his warrant under his Hand and Seal, to be directed to some Constable or other peace officer in such county, to commit such offender or offenders to the goal of the city and county of *Saint John*. And the keeper of said goal is hereby required to take and receive such offender or offenders into his custody, and him, her or them, safely to keep until he, she or they shall be thence remanded by warrant of some Justice of the Peace, in the county where such offence shall have been committed, or under his Hand and Seal, directed to some Constable or other Peace officer of such county, in order for the trial of such offender or offenders before a court of Oyer and Terminer, and general goal delivery to be holden in the county where such felony or offence shall have been committed, or until such offender or offenders shall be otherwise discharged by due course of law.

Conveying and reconveying such felon or offender, to be at the expense of the county in which the offence was committed.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That such conveying and reconveying as well as the support of such felon or offender while in goal as aforesaid, shall be at the proper charge of the county where such felony or offence was committed, and the Constable or Constables, or other peace officer who shall have performed such service as aforesaid, shall lay his or their account or accounts before the Justices of the General Sessions of the Peace, for the county where such felony or offence was committed, which Justices or the major part of them in General Sessions assembled, shall order and direct the county Treasurer to pay him or them such sum or sums of money, out of the sums raised or to be raised for defraying the contingent expenses of the county, as they shall judge adequate to his or their service or services.

The allowance necessary for the support of the felon or offender in goal to be ascertained by one of the Justices of the Peace, of the county in which the offence was committed, and one of the Justices

III. And in order to ascertain the allowance for the support of such felons or other offenders, while in goal as aforesaid: *Be it further enacted*, That one of the Justices of the Peace, for the county where such offence shall have been committed as aforesaid, shall at the City of *Saint John* meet one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of *Saint John*, and jointly with him ascertain the sum to be allowed to the goaler, of the said City and County of *Saint John*, for the support of such

such felons or other offenders. Which sum so ascertained shall be paid pursuant to the order of the Justices of the General Sessions in the county where such offence shall have been committed, by the Treasurer of such county as aforesaid.

of the Peace for the county of Sr. John.

IV. *And be it further enacted,* That this act shall continue and be in force for two, years and to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly thereafter.

CAP. XI.

An ACT in ADDITION to an act, intituled an act for regulating the exportation of FISH and LUMBER, and for ascertaining the quality of the same.

I. *Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly,*

THAT from and after the passing this act, it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons to ship and export fish commonly called herrings, either with or without pickle, if such herrings are in other respects merchantable, any thing in the said before recited act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Herrings may be exported with or without pickle, if otherwise merchantable.

II. *And be it further enacted,* That so much of the said recited act as allows of the exportation of wainey boards or plank from any port or other place in this province, shall be and the same is hereby repealed. And that from and after the passing of this act, no boards or plank shall be exported from any port or place in this province, but such as shall be sawed or hewed into a square edge; and that no boards or plank shall be deemed merchantable if the same shall be split in both ends, or if the same shall be split in any part more than one quarter of the length of such board or plank, any thing in the said recited act to the contrary notwithstanding.

No boards shall be exported, but what shall be saw'd or hew'd into a square edge.

No boards or plank shall be deemed merchantable, if split in both ends, or in any part more than $\frac{1}{4}$ of the length.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall and may be lawful to export boards and planks of any length whatever, provided

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