

C A P. IV.

An ACT for ALTERING the TIMES of HOLDING the Court of GENERAL SESSIONS of the PEACE and INFERIOR COURT of COMMON PLEAS in the County of NORTHUMBERLAND.

WHEREAS the times appointed for holding the Court of GENERAL SESSIONS of the PEACE and INFERIOR COURT of COMMON PLEAS in the County of NORTHUMBERLAND have been found inconvenient. Preamble.

I. BE IT ENACTED, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said Courts shall be holden hereafter on the First TUESDAY in March and the First TUESDAY in August in every year, instead of the third Tuesday in January and the third Tuesday in September as heretofore accustomed. The courts to be held on the first Tuesday in March and August.

II. And be it further enacted, That no writ or process of any kind whatsoever shall abate or be discontinued by reason of the alteration of the times of holding the said Courts as aforesaid, but that all writs and processes which are or shall be returnable to the said Courts respectively on the days and times heretofore established, shall be proceeded upon in the same manner as if the same were made returnable on the same days herein established and appointed. No writ or process to abate by the alteration of the times of holding the courts.

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An ACT to encourage the DESTROYING of WOLVES.

WHEREAS many losses have been suffered by sundry inhabitants of this province from the destruction of their Preamble: Sheep

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Sheep by *Wolves*, to the great discouragement of the increase of that valuable stock.

**I. B E I T E N A C T E D**, *by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly*, That from and after the publication of this act, a reward of *twenty shillings* shall be paid to any inhabitant of this province for each full grown Wolf he shall kill within the limits of the same, and *ten shillings* for each Wolf's whelp under a year old; and to every Indian *ten shillings* for every full grown Wolf, and *five shillings* for every Wolf's whelp under a year old which he shall kill within the limits aforesaid.

Twenty shillings to be paid for each wolf, and ten shillings for each whelp, killed by an inhabitant—  
and ten shillings for each wolf, and five shillings for each whelp, killed by an Indian.

The head of every wolf killed to be brought to the nearest justice of the peace—

who, on being satisfied that the person is entitled to the reward, shall disfigure the head and give a certificate to the Treasurer.

**II. A n d b e i t f u r t h e r e n a c t e d**, That whosoever shall kill any wolf, wolves, their whelps, or whelp shall bring the head or heads of the same to one of His MAJESTY'S Justices of the Peace within the county residing nearest to the place where the same shall be killed, who shall examine the party on oath (if he judge it necessary) and, on being satisfied of his being entitled to the reward, shall disfigure the head of the wolf or whelp by cutting off both the ears, and shall give under his hand and seal a certificate specifying the reward to which the party is entitled directed to the Treasurer of the province, or his deputy, in case any such deputy shall be resident in the county, who shall pay the same out of the monies belonging to the province Treasury: Which certificate shall be a sufficient voucher to the Treasurer for the money paid by virtue of this act.

## C A P. VI.

### An ACT to prevent the DESTRUCTION of SHEEP by DOGS.

**I. B E I T E N A C T E D**, *by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly*, That if any dog or dogs shall kill any sheep or lambs within this province, the owner of such dog, upon complaint and conviction thereof before any Justice of the Peace shall cause the same to be immediately killed, or shall be liable to pay the owner of such sheep or lambs the full value thereof to be recovered before any one of His MAJESTY'S Justices of the Peace in the county where such offence shall be committed, who is hereby authorised finally to determine the same; PROVIDED the sum so to be recovered

If any dog shall kill sheep or lambs, the owner of the dog to cause him to be killed—

or be liable to pay for the sheep or lambs—  
to be recovered before a justice of the peace—