

C H A P. I. the Provincial Court by the Laws now in Force, and also to extend the Jurisdiction of the County Courts to other Matters and Causes;

Plaintiffs obliged to sue in the County Courts, in all such Causes as are now cognizable there, and not in the Provincial Court.

IV. Be it therefore enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly, all Persons having any Cause of Action against any Inhabitant or Inhabitants of this Province, shall, by Virtue of this Act, be obliged, in case of Suit, to sue and implead the Person or Persons aforesaid, against whom he, she, or they, hath, have, or shall have, any Cause of Action in the several and respective Courts of the Counties wherein the Defendant or Defendants shall reside, and not in the Provincial Court, in all and every such Cases, and for and in all and every such Matters and Causes, as are by the Laws of this Province now cognizable or determinable by or in the said County Courts; and in case any Suit or Action shall, after the End of this present Session of Assembly, be commenced or brought in the Provincial Court for or upon any Cause or Matter so cognizable or determinable by or in the said County Courts, by the Laws now in Force, the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in such Suit or Action shall suffer a Nonsuit, and thereupon pay the Defendant or Defendants his, her, or their Costs, any Law or Usage to the Contrary notwithstanding.

Persons may sue in the County Courts, for any Cause where the Justices of the Provincial Court have original Jurisdiction, &c.

V. And be it also enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That any Person or Persons shall have full Power, after the End of this present Session, to bring Suit in the County Court, for any Cause whatsoever, whereof the Justices of the Provincial Court have any original Cognizance or Jurisdiction, whether for the Recovery of any Debt or Damages whatsoever, or of the Right or Possession to or of any Lands or Tenements; and also all Writs of Replevin may be, after the End of this present Session of Assembly, issued out of any County Court, returnable to such Court out of which such Writs shall issue; and no Suit or Action which shall be commenced or brought in any County Court shall before Judgment be removed, by or on the Behalf of the Plaintiff or Plaintiffs in such Suit or Action, to the Provincial Court, on Penalty of such Plaintiff or Plaintiffs suffering a Nonsuit, and paying Costs.

Defendant may remove any civil Cause from the County Court to the Provincial Court, &c.

VI. Provided always, That any Defendant or Defendants shall have it in his, her, or their Power, to remove any civil Cause or Suit from the County Court to the Provincial Court, in the same Manner as he, she, or they, might or could do before this present Act; and also in all such Cases wherein the civil Jurisdiction of the County Courts is by this Act extended or enlarged: And provided also, That any Party or Parties, aggrieved by any Judgment or Determination of any County Court, in exercising the Jurisdiction conferred by this Act, shall have full Power to appeal from such Judgment or Determination to the Provincial Court, in such Manner and upon such Terms as Writs of Error or Appeals might or could be prosecuted before this present Act.

Justices of the County Courts may try Persons for any Crimes, tho' they may subject them to the Pains of Death.

VII. And be it enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, that the Justices of the several and respective County Courts shall have full Power and Authority, by Virtue of this Act, to try, according to Law, all and every Person and Persons who shall, after the End of this present Session of Assembly, commit any Offence or Crime whatsoever, although it may subject such Person or Persons to the Pains of Death; and upon Conviction of the Offender or Offenders in due Course of Law, in the County Court of the County in which the Crime or Offence shall be committed give Judgment according to the Nature and Quality of the Crime or Offence, any Law or Usage to the Contrary notwithstanding.

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