

Liber W. H. force or heereafter to bee made, yo^r Lordshippes Two houses of Assembly doe pray that itt may bee enacted, And bee itt enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Prop^{ty} of & with the advice & Assent of the vpper & Lower houses of this p^rsent Gen^l Assembly & the Authority of the same that the Judge or Co^mmissary Gen^l for probate of Wills & granting Adm^{strac}ōns shall hold his Court once in Two Months att the Least or oftner as the Case shall Requier, Regard being had to the distancce of the Habitacōns of the suitors in the said Court, & the dispatch of fforreighners, who haue frequent occasions to seeke Justice in the Court, for probate of Wills & granting Adm^{strac}ōns, & before the Judge thereof, And for as much as Certainety is the Mother of Repose, & that our dependance vpon England obleigeth us to make all our Lawes as neere as may bee Consonant to the Lawes of England, Bee itt further enacted by the Authority advice & assent aforesaid that the Judge for probate of Wills & granting Adm^{strac}ōns within this province in all Causes Relateing to probate of Wills and granting Adm^{strac}ōns shall proceed according to the Lawes of England, now in force & heereafter to bee in force
 p. 168 within Twelve Months after such Lawes shall bee published in the Kingdome of England, If pleaded before him heere saueing in such Cases as shall in this Act bee Limited or shall heereafter bee Limited by Act of Assembly of this Province, as utterly Impracticable in this Province. Provided always that itt shall & may bee Lawfull for the Judge for probate of Wills to proue any Last Will in this Province euen although itt Concerne Title to Land any Law vseage or Custome of the Kingdome of England to the Contrary Notwithstanding, And to the end that filiall porcōns may bee secured to the Children of all persons dyeing Intestate, & Legacys paid to Legatees of persons who make Wills, Bee itt Likewise enacted ffirst that the Judge for probate of Wills & granting Adm^{strac}ōns shall Call all Executo^{rs} & Adm^{rs} to acco^t for the Estates of all persons deceased, within Twelue Months next after Adm^{strac}ōn Co^mmitted, & if any Adm^r shall faile to giue an Acco^t within the time aforesaid being Lawfully thereunto Cited, that then the said Judge shall Revoake the ffirst Letters of Adm^{strac}ōn to such Adm^r Co^mmitted & shall grant Adm^{strac}ōn (de bonis non Adm^{stratis}) to some other person as in his discretion hee shall thinke fitt, which said Adm^r anew appointed shall giue security as all other Adm^{rs} doe & shall sue & Implead the former Adm^r before the Judge aforesaid, for an acco^t of the estate of the Intestate & in Case itt shall appeare to the Judge aforesaid that the former Adm^r hath wasted or Imbezelled the estate of the Intestate then the said Judge shall Assigne the bond entred into by the former Adm^r and his securitys vnto