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Laws not be received in Evidence; except that where Declarations shall be sent with the Writs in Order for Tryal the first Court, the Defendant who shall insist on any Account in his or her Defence as aforesaid, shall deliver or send a Copy of such Account to the Clerk the first Day of the Court, who shall receive and file the same.

And be it further Enacted, That an Act intituled, An Act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove Foreign and other Debts, and to prevent vexatious and unnecessary Suits at Law, pleading Discounts in Bar, shall be and is hereby repealed and abrogated.

Provided nevertheless, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person to prove any Account of Goods sold, Money lent, Work done, or other Matters or Articles properly chargeable in Account, which became due at any Time heretofore, or shall become due before the Tenth Day of March next, according to the Directions of the said Act, so as all such Accounts shall be proved as aforesaid, at or before the Thirtieth Day of August, which shall be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty: The Repeal of the said Act, or any Thing in this Act to the contrary, notwithstanding.

p. 27 And be it further Enacted, That any Person who shall wittingly and advisedly swear or affirm falsely to any Account before any Provincial or County Justice, and shall be thereof lawfully convict, by Confession or Verdict, shall suffer the same Pains and Penalties as in case of corrupt and wilful Perjury.

Chap. XXI An Act for the Preservation of the Breed of Wild Deer.

Whereas it has been represented to this General Assembly, that the Species of Deer hath of late Years been very much lessen'd, occasion'd principally by the Inhabitants shooting, or otherwise destroying them, during the Time of the Female Deer being with young; and which evil Practice, if not put a Stop to, may in a few Years entirely destroy the Species of Deer, to the great Damage of the good People of this Province: For Prevention whereof, it is prayed that it may be enacted,

And be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That it shall not, nor may be lawful for any Person or Persons within this Province, (the Indians in Amity with us excepted,) between the Fifteenth Day of January, and the last Day of July, in every Year, to kill any Deer, under the Penalty of Four Hundred Pounds of Tobacco for every such Offence to the Use of the Informer, to be recovered before a single Magistrate (as in Case of small Debts) by the Testimony of one sufficient Witness besides the Informer.