

C H A P.
XXX.

And that without taking and subscribing which Oath, no Person shall be capable of holding, executing, or enjoying any Office of Trust within this Province whatsoever.

Repeal of a Clause in the Act of 1702, ch. 1, which obliges Vestry-men to subscribe the Association.

III. **And whereas** by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province, made the Sixteenth Day of *March*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and One, entitled, *An Act for Establishment of Religious Worship in this Province, &c.* it was Enacted, That all Vestry-men should subscribe the Association before they should be admitted to the Execution of that Office: But forasmuch as by the Death of his most sacred Majesty King *William* the Third, the subscribing the said Association is not necessary to be longer continued; **Be it therefore Enacted**, That such Part thereof, and Clause in the before recited Act of Assembly, which relates to the Vestry-mens subscribing the Association, and no more, is hereby repealed and declared void.

All Vestry-men to qualify by taking the Oaths.

IV. **And it is further Enacted**, by the Authority and Consent aforesaid, That all and every Person and Persons that are at this present Time Vestry-men in this Province, and all other Person or Persons that for the Time to come shall be elected or chosen Vestry-men, shall take the before recited Oath of Abjuration; and that it be administer'd to them according to the Forms and Methods prescribed in the aforesaid Act of Assembly for taking the Oaths therein required to be taken: And after the taking such Oath, the Person so elected or chosen shall be deemed and taken as one of the Vestry, and not before.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN,
THOMAS BACON.

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Passed 3d
June 1715.

An ACT ascertaining the Height of Fences, to prevent the Evil occasioned by the Multitude of Horses, and restraining Horse-Rangers within this Province; and to redress the great Evil accruing to this Province by the Multiplicity of useless Horses, Mares and Colts that run in the Woods. *Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 178.*

A Supplementary Act made 1750, ch. 25.

All Inclosures, by Fences, or otherwise, to be 5 Feet high. Horses, &c. to be kept within sufficient Inclosures, from the 1st May, to the 10th November, yearly.

BE it Enacted, by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That all Inclosures by Fences, or otherwise, within the Intention of this Act herein after mentioned, shall be Five Foot high: And from and after the First Day of *May* till the next Tenth Day of *November* next, and so yearly and every Year, all Owners of any Horse or Horses, Mares, Colts and Geldings, shall and are hereby obliged to keep all such Horse or Horses, Mares, Colts, or Geldings, within good and sufficient Inclosures, Fenced-Grounds or Pastures, upon the Pains and Penalties hereafter following.

Or else, after Notice twice given to the Owner, such Horses, &c. may be shot by the Party damaged.

II. **And be it further Enacted**, by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That if the Owner or Owners of any such Horse or Horses, Mares, Colts or Geldings as aforesaid, shall omit to take up, drive in, and keep up all such Horses, Mares, Colts or Geldings, and that such Horses, Mares, Colts or Geldings, shall break into the Pastures, Corn-Fields, or other Inclosures of any Inhabitants within this Province, within the Time by this Act limited as aforesaid, the said Owner or Owners thereof having Notice or Warning thereof given him, her or them, two several Times by the Party grieved, and notwithstanding the Owner or Owners of such Horse or Horses, Mares, Colts or Geldings as aforesaid, neglecting to perform what