

ledgment of the same willingly and freely, and without being induced thereto by fear or threats of, or ill usage by her husband, or fear of his displeasure? And that the person or persons so examining her shall, (in a note or certificate of the taking of the said acknowledgment,) certify her examination and acknowledgment thereupon, and that such certificate be likewise enrolled upon record; in which case, and by such acknowledgments and certificates, feme coverts shall be barred, and not otherwise, and shall also be barred of their dower by such like acknowledgment, where they have only a right of dower in the estate conveyed, although not named in the deed thereof, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

A new formula substituted in 1830, ch. 164.

By 1752, ch. 8, the acknowledgment and examination of any feme covert who resides out of the province, taken before the mayor of any corporation in Great Britain or Ireland, or before one justice of the supreme court of any province or colony within his majesty's dominions, and certified by endorsement upon such deed, under the hand of such magistrate, and seal of the corporation or colony respectively, shall be good in law to bar such feme covert of her right of inheritance or dower, as the case may be.

SEC. 12. *Provided always, and be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid,* That where any acknowledgment or acknowledgments of any deed or deeds, conveyance or conveyances, by them that right had to grant, bargain and sell any manors, lands, tenements or hereditaments within this province, have been made during the continuance of any the former recited acts of assembly before one justice of the provincial court, or before one or two of the council, and enrolled according to the direction of the former acts, shall be good and effectual in the law, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, any thing in this act contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

See Index, word 'Conveyances.'

CHAPTER 48.

AN ACT for rectifying the ill practices of Attorneys of this province, and ascertaining fees to the Attorney-General, Clerk of Indictments, Attorneys and Practitioners of the law in the courts of this province, and for levying the same by way of execution.

SEC. 1. *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 after the end of this session of assembly, no process for any criminal matter, or other misdemeanour, shall issue out of any the courts of this province against any per-

No criminal process to issue, &c.