

Statutes made at Westminster, 28 Edw. 3.—A. D. 1354.

CHAP. 1. A confirmation of all statutes before made and used.

This statute was in force with the parts of the great charter which were so.

CHAP. 13. The warranty of packing of wool shall be put out.—An inquest shall be *de medietate lingue* where an alien is party.

The first part of this statute was by no means applicable to the province; but it appears that the latter part was so, although cases under it were not likely to occur often.

In 1748, there was an indictment against negro Jem for murder. It is stated in the record of the proceedings, that advantage was given by consent of the attorney-general, as if he had pleaded to the jurisdiction of the court, being an alien. The said James alleged that he was a foreigner, and therefore prayed a jury half denizens and half aliens. Wherefore, according to the form of the statute, the sheriff was commanded to cause twelve, &c. of which one half to be aliens and the other moiety denizens. There was a similar proceeding against another person at the same court.

The act of 1789, Ch. 22, S. 5, states, that "whereas no special provision is made by the laws of this state, for the trial of aliens and foreigners, for offences committed against the laws of this state, and doubts may hereafter arise, whether aliens and foreigners may not be entitled to a trial *per medietatem lingue*," and provides that they shall be tried in the same manner as other persons. There is a similar provision in the act of 1809, Ch. 138, S. 15.

*Statutes made at Westminster, 31 Edw. 3, Stat. 1.—A. D. 1357.*

CHAP. 1. A confirmation of the great charter, and the charter of the forest.

See the note on 52 Hen. 3, Ch. 5.

CHAP. 11. To whom the ordinary may commit the administration of the goods of him that dieth intestate.—The benefit and charge of an administrator.

See the note on 13 Edw. 1, Stat. 1, Ch. 19.

*Statutes made at Westminster, 36 Edw. 3.—A. D. 1362.*

CHAP. 1. A confirmation of all former statutes.

See the note on 28 Edw. 3, Ch. 1.

*Statutes made at Westminster, 37 Edw. 3.—A. D. 1363.*

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See the note on 28 Edw. 3, Ch. 1.