

It is considered proper to be incorporated with our laws, except the parts relating to *forests* and to persons excommunicated.

CHAP. 16. None shall distrain out of his fee, nor drive the distress out of the county.

This statute refers to that of Marlbridge, 52 Hen. 3, Ch. 4. See the note under that statute.

CHAP. 17. The remedy if a distress is impounded in a castle or fortress.

It is laid down in 2 Inst. 193, that this statute applies to cases where the distress is chased into any other house, park or other place of strength. See also 3 Bl. Com. 148, and 4 Bac. Abt. title Replevin E; from which it appears proper that this statute should be incorporated, &c.

CHAP. 49. The tenant's plea in a writ of dower.

See the note on 9 Hen. 3, Ch. 7.



*A statute de officio coronatoris, 4 Edw. 1, Stat. 2.—A. D. 1276.*

Of what things a coroner shall enquire.

See 1 Bl. Com. 348, as to the office and power of a coroner, as ascertained by this statute.

It appears by the council proceedings that a commission was granted to J. B. in January 1637, as sheriff and coroner, and soon after a commission to J. R. as coroner, with power to take the fees authorised by law or usage of England, and several inquisitions appear to have been taken by coroners and sheriffs.

The acts of assembly passed on this subject in 1666 and 1692, were merely for the appointment of coroners, and those passed afterwards in the province and in the state, relate to their ministerial functions in executing process, so that their duty otherwise is the same as in England, and the general provisions of this statute, (excepting those that relate to deodands, wrecks, &c.) are proper to be incorporated with our laws.

This statute is mentioned in the letter from S. Chase, which has been referred to.



*The statute of bigamy, 4 Edw. 1, Stat. 3.—A. D. 1276.*

CHAP. 6. By what words in a feoffment a feoffer shall be bound to warranty.

See 5 Bac. Abt. title Warranty, C; 2 Bl. Com. 300; and Co. Lit. 384, from which this statute will appear proper to be incorporated, &c.



*Statutes made at Gloucester, 6 Edw. 1.—A. D. 1278.*

CHAP. 1. Several actions in which damages are to be recovered.

This is known to be the statute under which costs have been, and still are recovered by plaintiffs; and the present forms of entering judgments are the same as those mentioned by Blackstone, (3d vol. 399,) in speaking of this statute.