CHAP. 32. Wool.

CHAP. 34. An act for prohibiting the planting, selling or sowing of tobacco in England or Ireland.



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CHAP. 5. An act against tumults and disorders upon pretence of preparing or presenting public petitions or other addresses to his majesty or the parliament.

NOTES.

CHAP. 5. See 4 Bl Com. 147, as to the cause of making this statute and the provisions which it contained. It could not have been literally complied with in the province, and was in no respect applicable to the circumstances of the people. In the case of the king and lord George Gordon, reported in Douglass (569) the court determined that this statute had not been repealed by the 5th article of the bill of rights, 1 W. and M. declaring that it was the right of the subjects to petition the king, and that all commitments and prosecutions for such petitioning were illegal. It will be observed that by our declaration of rights, which in some articles is copied verbatim from that of W. and M. it is provided in the 11th article, that every man hath a right to petition the legislature for the redress of grievances, in a peacable and orderly manner.

CHAP. 10. Deer stealers.

CHAP. 12. Ecclesiastical persons.

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CHAP. 1. Corporations.

Chap. 2. An act for preventing of vexations and oppressions by arrests, and of delays in suits of law.

NOTES.

CHAP. 2. The 2d section of this statute which is the most important to be considered, does not appear to have extended to the province, from what I have observed of the practice. But some provision on this subject appears to be necessary, both as to defendants and sheriffs.