

Witnesses, by Letters, Rewards, Promises, or by any other sinister, unlawful Labour or Means whatsoever, to commit any wilful and corrupt Perjury, in any Matter or Cause whatsoever, now depending, or which hereafter shall depend in Suit and Variance, by any Writ, Action, Bill, Complaint or Information, in any wise touching or concerning any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, or any Goods, Chattels, Debts or Damages, in any of the Courts of Record within this Province, or that shall unlawfully and corruptly procure or suborn any Witness or Witnesses, from and after the Publication aforesaid, to be sworn to testify *in perpetuam Rei Memoriam*; that then every such Offender or Offenders shall, for his or their said Offence, being thereof lawfully convicted or attainted, lose and forfeit the Sum of Forty Pounds Sterling. And if it happen any such Offender or Offenders, so being convicted or attainted as aforesaid, shall not have Goods, Chattels, Lands or Tenements, to the Value of Forty Pounds as aforesaid, then every such Person or Persons, so being convicted or attainted as aforesaid, shall, for his or their said Offence, suffer Imprisonment, for and during the Space of one whole Year, without Bail or Mainprize, and stand upon the Pillory one whole Hour, at the Pillory next adjoining the Place where he, she or they, shall be convicted as aforesaid.

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Persons corrupting or suborning Witnesses, forfeit 40^l. Sterling,

or not having Goods to the Value, shall be imprisoned one Year, and stand one Hour in the Pillory,

III. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person or Persons, being convicted or attaint as aforesaid, shall be from thenceforth received as a Witness, to be deposed and sworn in any Court of Record within this Province, until such Time as the Judgment given against the said Person or Persons be reversed, by Attaint or otherwise. And that, upon every such Reversal, the Parties grieved, to recover his, her or their Damages, against all and every such Person or Persons, as did procure the said Judgment so reversed to be given again them, or any of them, by Action or Actions upon his, her or their Case or Cases, according to the common Course of the Laws of this Province.

and rendered incapable of giving Evidence, till such Judgment be reversed,

in which Case they may recover Damages.

IV. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons, after the Publication hercof, either by Subornation, unlawful Procurement, sinister Perswasion, or Means of any other, or by their own Act, Consent or Agreement, wilfully and corruptly, commit any Manner of wilful Perjury, by their Deposition in any Court of Record in this Province, as aforesaid, or being examined *in perpetuam Rei Memoriam*; that then every Person and Persons so offending, and being thereof duly convicted or attainted by the Laws of this Province, shall, for his or their said Offence, lose and forfeit Twenty Pounds Sterling, and suffer Imprisonment the Space of Six Months, without Bail and Mainprize; and the Oath of such Person or Persons so offending, from thenceforth not to be received within any Court of Record within this Province, until such Time as the Judgment given against the said Person or Persons shall be reversed, by Attaint, or otherwise, as aforesaid; and that, upon every such Reversal, the Parties grieved to recover their Damages as aforesaid. And if it happen that the said Offender or Offenders, so offending, shall not have Goods and Chattels, to the Value of Twenty Pounds, that then he, she or they, be set on the Pillory next adjoining to the Place where he, she or they shall be convicted, as aforesaid, and to have both Ears nailed, and be from thenceforth to be discredited and disabled for ever to be sworn in any of the Courts of Record aforesaid, until such Time the said Judgment be reversed; upon which he, she or they, shall recover his, her or their Damages, in Manner and Form as is before mentioned; the one Moiety of all the said Fines and Forfeitures, to be to our Sovereign Lord and Lady, the King and Queen, for the Support of Government; and the other Moiety to such Person or Persons, as shall be grieved, hindered or molested by Reason of any the Offence or Offences before mentioned, that will sue for the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, or otherwise, in any Court of Record within this Province, wherein no Essoyn, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed.

Persons convicted of Perjury to forfeit 20^l. Sterling, and suffer 6 Months Imprisonment,

and their Oath not to be received till Reversal of Judgment,

Not having Goods to the Value of the Fine, shall be Pillor'd, and their Ears nailed.

Half of the Fines to the Support of Government, and Half to the Party grieved.

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