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Execution for debt or upon other means or processes The said
Deputy and respective Sheriffs shall safely keep and
restrain the said prisoners by such means & in such
manner as Prisoners in England by the Law of England
are and may be restrained and if any Sheriff shall
voluntarily or negligently suffer any such prisoners to
escape such Sheriff shall pay the debt or damage to the
person who obtained Judgment and sued out Execution
or other means or processes against the said prisoner
and if any person imprisoned for felony or other crime
deserving death shall attempt or endeavour to break
the Prison shall immediately thereupon be deemed by
the Sheriff or Gaoler in Scots and any person so
imprisoned for felony or other crime deserving death
as aforesaid that shall break Prison shall be punished
with death This Act to endure for three years or to the
end of the next General Assembly which shall first happen

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An Act For Repeal of Certain Laws and also for
ascertaining what Laws are in force within this
Province

The Burgesses and Delegates of this present General
Assembly taken into their most serious consideration
the on any great mischiefs evils & inconveniences
which have and may happen to many the good
people of this Province by the many errors that are
committed in the several Courts and by the several
people within this Province in not knowing what
Laws are in force and unexpeded and by the multipli-
city of Laws to one and the same thing which many
times interfere one with another and yet Judgment is
given upon the same many times contrary to the true
intent of the said Laws and whereas it is found by
experience that many of the Laws in the Body of the
Laws as well perpetual as temporall are become use-
less or Repealed in other private acts not sufficiently
taken notice of and serve to no other purpose but to
swell the Law a great volume and others are found not
fit to be revived Therefore to prevent the like inconve-
nience for the future and to ascertain what Laws
are at the Repeal of this present Sessions of Assembly
in full force to be observed and Judged by They humbly
pray that it may be enacted And be it enacted by the
Right Hon^{ble} the Lord's Proprietary by and with the
advice and Consent of the upper & lower houses of this
present General Assembly and the authority thereof
That these Laws following entitled as in the schedule
here under written (Viz)

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