

Lawfully authorized to Commit and Punish Such person or persons.
Shall refuse to take the Oaths mentioned in the Said Act of Parliament -
according to the Appointment thereof the Same Oaths being tendered m-
to him or them in Such Manner as the Said Act directs and appoints any
thing herein Contained to the Contrary thereof in any wise Notwithstanding.

An Act for Punishment of Persons Su- :orning of Witnesses or Committing wilful and Corrupt Perjury

Whereas Several persons Void of Grace and the Dread of
the Almighty have and do Still continue for Small profits accruing
to themselves to Commit wilful and Corrupt Perjury or Cause or procure
the Same to be Committed either out of a Desire for the reasons & purposes
aforesaid or merely to revenge an Imaginary Injury done them to the
great prejudice of Divers of their Majesties Loyall Subjects Inhabiting in
this Province And forasmuch as the Laws of this Province heretofore
made for the prevention of the like Mischief and inconveniencies had
upon a Mature and deliberate Consideration by this present Generall
Assembly been found altogether inconsistent with the Constitution of this
Province or the Laws of England in Such Cases made and provided
Be it therefore Enacted by the King and Queen's Most
Excellent Majesties by and with the Advice and Consent of this present Gen-
Assembly and the Authority of the Same, That if any person or persons.
Whosoever from and after the publication hereof Shall unlawfully or
Corruptly procure any Witness or Witnesses by Letters rewards, promises
or by any other sinister unlawfull Labour or means whatsoever to Com-
mit any wilfull and Corrupt Perjury in any matter or Cause whatsoever
now Depending or which hereafter shall Depend in Law or
by any writt Action, Bill Complaint or Information.