

shall have the severall allowances as aforesaid as for London County
This Act to endure for seven years from the twenty fifth day of
December next ensuing -

Lower house Novemb. 28th 1688

The Lower house have assented
William Dent Clerk

Novemb. 29th 1688:

The Upper house have assented
Tho: Grunwith of
Assembly.

An Act for Encouragement of sowing and making hemp and flax within this Province.

Be it Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble}: the Lord Prop^r: and with the advice
and consent of the Upper and Lower houses of this present Generall Assembly
and the Authority of the same that from and after the end of this present
Sessions of Assembly if any person or persons whatsoever Inhabitants
within this Province shall and will by himselfe or servants or by any
other by him employed or hired cause or procure to be sowed any flax
otherwise called hemp seed or flax seed and shall after the gathering
thereof cause such flax or hemp so reaped or gathered to be braked winnowed
and made Merchantable fitt for sale such person or persons Inhabitants
within this Province shall for his and their Encouragement in so good
a work demand have and receive for every pound of flax or hemp
by them so made Merchantable and fitt for sale as aforesaid two
pounds of Tobacco for every pound of flax and one pound of Tobacco
for every pound of hemp to be paid him or them by the Commissioners
of the respective County Courts within this Province and raised out
of the respective County Treasuries of the said severall and respective
Counties where such flax or hemp shall be sowed braked winnowed made
Merchantable and fitt for sale as aforesaid, Provided such person or
persons making such hemp or flax as aforesaid shall by producing the
same to the Commissioners of the said County Courts or to any other
person or persons by them from time to time appointed or by any other
ways or means whatsoever satisfy and make it appear to the Com^{rs}
of the said ^{severall & respective} County Courts that he or they or his or their servants or