
 CHAPTER 20.

LAW AGAINST RIOTERS.

Chapter 20. *And be it &c:* That if any persons, to the Number of three, Shall meet together with Clubbs, Staves, or any other hurtfull weapon to the terror of any of the peaceable people of this Province, and Committ or design to Committ any Violence or injurie upon the person or goods of any of the Said inhabitants, & be Convicted thereof, They Shall be reputed & punisht as Rioters, & that act of terror & Violence or design of violence accounted a Riot.

Originally chapter 23, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 14.

 CHAPTER 21.

LAW AGAINST MENACING PARENTS.

Chapter 21. *And be it &c:* That whosoever Shall Assault or Menace a parent, & Shall be duly proved guilty thereof, Shall be Committed to the house of Correction, and there remain at hard Labour, during the pleasure of the said parent.

Originally chapter 24, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 15.

 CHAPTER 22.

LAW AGAINST MENACING MAGISTRATES.

Chapter 22. *And be it &c:* That if any person Shall Assault or Menace a Magistrate, & be duly Convicted thereof, hee Shall be fined according to the Nature of the fact, & be Committed to the house of Correction at hard Labour, for one month after Conviction.

Originally chapter 25, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 16.

CHAPTER 23.

LAW AGAINST ASSAULT BY SERVANTS.

Chapter 23. *And be it &c:* That if any Servant Assault or Menance his or her Master or Mistris and be Convicted thereof Hee or Shee shall be punisht at the discretion of 2 Justices of the peace, So it be Sutable to the Nature of the offence.

Originally chapter 26, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693, but accepted in Petition of Right, June 1, 1693, as chapter 17.

CHAPTER 24.

LAW AGAINST ASSAULT AND BATTERY.

Chapter 24. *And be it &c:* That any person Convicted of an Assault or Battery Committed by him on another person, hee Shall be Reputed a Breaker of the peace, and Shall be punisht according to the Nature and Circumstance of the fact.

Originally chapter 27, confirmed by chapter 63, 1683, and renumbered. Abrogated in 1693. See Vol. II St.L. 13, ch. XII.

CHAPTER 25.

LAW AGAINST CHALLENGING TO FIGHT.

Chapter 25. *And be it &c:* That whosoever Shall Challenge another person to fight, hee that Challengeth & hee that accepteth the Challenge, Shall for every Such offence pay 5 pounds or Suffer 3 months imprisonment in the house of Correction at hard Labour.