

attempt to administer, to any person, or shall cause to be taken by any person, any poison, or other destructive thing, or shall unlawfully and maliciously attempt to drown, suffocate or strangle any person, or shall unlawfully and maliciously shoot at any person, or shall, by drawing a trigger, or in any other manner attempt to discharge any kind of loaded arms at any person, or shall unlawfully and maliciously stab, cut or wound any person, with intent, in any of the cases aforesaid, to kill such person, or to maim, disfigure or disable such person, or to do some other grievous bodily harm to such person, or with intent to resist or prevent the lawful apprehension or detainer of the party so offending, or of any of his accomplices, for any offence for which he or they may respectively be liable by Law to be apprehended or detained, every such offender, and every person counselling, aiding or abetting such offender, shall be guilty of Felony—and being convicted thereof, shall be liable to the punishment prescribed for Felony in an Act of the present Session; for improving the Administration of Justice in Criminal Cases.

Acts, shall be capital.

VII. And be it enacted, That if any Woman shall be delivered of a Child, and shall, by secret burying or otherwise disposing of the dead body of the said Child, endeavour to conceal the birth thereof, every such offender shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor; and being convicted thereof, shall be liable to be imprisoned, with or without hard labour, for any term not exceeding Two Years; and it shall not be necessary to prove whether the Child died before, at or after its birth: Provided always, that if any Woman tried for the Murder of her Child shall be acquitted thereof, it shall be lawful for the Jury by whose Verdict she shall be acquitted, to find, in case it shall so appear in evidence, that she was delivered of a Child, and that she did, by secret burying, or otherwise disposing of the dead body of

A Woman secreting the dead body of her child, to conceal the fact of its birth, guilty of misdemeanor.

Proviso.