

C A P. I.

An Act relating to TREASONS and FELONIES.

BE it enacted, by his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, and by the authority of the same it is hereby enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall compass or imagine the Death of the King, or shall levy War against Him, or adhere to His Enemies, or shall give them Aid or Comfort; or shall forge or counterfeit the King's Money, being Gold or Silver Coin of England; or of Great Britain, or shall counterfeit the King's Great Seal or Privy Seal, or the Seal of this Island, and shall thereof be duly convicted, the Person or Persons so offending are hereby declared, and shall be adjudged to be, Traitors, and shall suffer as in Cases of High Treason; and that all Treasons declared by the Acts of Parliament of England, or of Great Britain, shall be deemed and adjudged to be Treasons within His Majesty's Island, and none other; and that such Acts of Parliament as directed the Proceedings and Evidence against, and Trials of, such Traitors, shall have their full Force and Effect, and be observed as the Rule in all Trials for Treason in this Province.

Compassing or imagining the King's Death, levying War against Him, &c. declared High Treason.

All Treasons declared by Acts of the British Parliament, to be adjudged Treasons within this Island.

Murder and Maihem, Felony, without benefit of Clergy.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That if any Person, with Malice Preppense, shall kill, or procure any other Persons to kill, or shall on purpose and of Malice forethought, and by lying in wait, unlawfully cut out or disable the Tongue, put out an Eye, slit the Nose or Lip, or cut off or disable any Limb or Member of any Person, with intention to kill, or to maim or disfigure any such Person, the Person so offending, their Counsellors Aiders and Abettors, privy to the Offence, shall be Felons without benefit of Clergy. *Provided*, that no Attainder of such Felony shall work Corruption of Blood or Forfeiture of Dower, Land or Goods of the Offender.

Proviso.