

and except all grants, mandamuses, copies of grants, and other documents, in any way affecting the titles to township lands in this Colony, not registered therein.

Officer giving false certificate, guilty of a misdemeanor.

VI. If any officer authorized or required by this Act to furnish any certified copies or extracts, shall wilfully certify any document as being a true copy or extract, knowing that the same is not a true copy or extract, as the case may be, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be liable, upon conviction, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding eighteen months.

Court, &c. may administer oaths to witnesses.

VII. Every Court, Judge, Justice, officer, commissioner, arbitrator, or other person now or hereafter having, by law, or by consent of parties, authority to hear, receive and examine evidence, is hereby empowered to administer an oath to all such witnesses, as are legally called before them respectively.

Persons forging seal, stamp, or signature of certain documents, guilty of felony.

VIII. If any person shall forge the seal, stamp, or signature of any document in this Act mentioned, or referred to, or shall tender in evidence any such document, with a false or counterfeit seal, stamp, or signature thereto, knowing the same to be false or counterfeit, he shall be guilty of felony, and shall, upon conviction, be liable to imprisonment for any term not exceeding three years, nor less than one year, with hard labor; and whenever any such document shall have been admitted in evidence, by virtue of this Act, the Court, or the person who shall have admitted the same, may, at the request of any party against whom the same is so admitted in evidence, direct, that the same shall be impounded, and be kept in the custody of some officer of the Court, or other proper person, for such period, and subject to such conditions as to the said Court or person shall seem meet; and every person who shall be charged with committing any felony under this Act, may be dealt with, indicted and tried, and, if convicted, sentenced; and his offence may be laid and charged to have been committed in the county, district, or place in which he shall be apprehended, or be in custody; and every accessory before or after the fact to any such offence may be dealt with, indicted, tried, and, if convicted, sentenced; and his offence laid and charged to have been committed in any county, district, or place in which the principal offender may be tried.

Either party in a suit after plea, &c., may require opposite party to admit documents, &c., intended to be given in evidence.

IX. Either party in any civil action in the Supreme Court of Judicature of this Island, may, after plea pleaded, and a reasonable time before trial, give notice to the other in the form in the schedule hereunto annexed, marked (A), or to the like effect, of his intention to adduce in evidence certain written or printed documents; and unless the adverse party shall consent, by endorsement on such notice, within forty-eight hours to make the admission specified, the party requiring such admission may call on the party required, by summons, in the