And be it further Enacted, That the said Supreme Court shall have Supreme power to grant administration of the effects of intestates and the probate of wills; and that the effects of deceased persons shall not be administered within the Island of Newfoundland, or any island place or territory dependent upon the government thereof, unless administration or probate shall have been duly granted by the said Supreme Court; and in all cases where the executor or executors of any will in Newfoundland, or the dependencies thereof, upon being duly cited, shall refuse or neglect to take out probate as aforesaid; or where the next of kin shall be absent from Newfoundland, and the effects of the deceased shall appear to the said Supreme Court to be exposed and liable to waste, it shall be lawful for the said Supreme Court to authorize and empower the registrar or clerk of the said court, or some other fit and proper person, to collect the said effects, and hold or deposit or invest the same in such manner and place, or upon such security, and subject to such orders and directions as shall be made by the said Supreme Court in respect of the custody control or disposal of such effects.

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And be it further Enacted, That the said Supreme Court shall have Supreme power and authority to appoint guardians and keepers for infants and their estates, according to the order and course observed in such cases in England; and also to appoint guardians and keepers of the persons and estates of natural fools, and of such as are or shall be deprived of their reason or understanding, so as to be unable to govern themselves and their affairs, which the said Supreme Court shall have power and authority to inquire of and determine, by inspection of the person, or by such other ways and means as to such Supreme court shall seem best for ascertaining the truth.

appoint guardians for infants and lunatics.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governorman governor or acting governor for the time being of Newfoundland, by any divide colony into three proclamation or proclamations to be by him for that purpose issued, to apportion and divide the said colony into Three several districts, and to fix and ascertain the boundaries and limits of every such district, and such boundaries or limits from time to time to alter as occasion may require: Provided always, That such apportionment of the said colony into such districts as aforesaid, be made in such manner as to such governor or acting governor may appear to be best adapted for enabling. the inhabitants of the said colony to resort with case and convenience to the circuit courts to be therein established as after mentioned

districts.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for His His Majesty Majesty, by any such charter or letters patent as aforesaid, to institute Circuit Courts in each of the Three districts in which the said colony may be so divided as aforesaid; and each of the said Circuit Courts shall be holden once at least in each year by the said chief judge, or by one of the said assistant judges of the said Supreme Court of Newfoundland, at such times, and at such one or more place or places within each of the said districts, as the governor or acting governor for the time being of Newfoundland shall from time to time direct and appoint.

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