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1 An Act for punishm^t of certaine Offences
as Swearing, cursing, Adultery &c.

Adultery &c Every person or persons that shalbe found or proved by confession of either party to haue comitted Adultery, or fornicacōn, such Offender or Offenders shalbe censured or punished, as the Governor and Counsell or other cheife Judge and Comissioner p^rsent in Court (therevnto authorized) not extending to life or Member shall adiudge and thinke fitt.

Swearing Every person or persons inhabiting or residing within this Province that shall at any time p^rphane the name of Almighty God by frequent Swearing or cursing or blaspheming, such person or persons shalbe censured and punished according to that Clause in the Act Intituled an Act concerning Religion, as is p^rvided for such person or persons who shall p^rphane & blasphemee the name of Almighty God in the like kinde on the Sabboth or Lords Day called Sunday.

Drunkenesse Every person or persons inhabiting or residing within this Province that shall abuse himself by frequent Drunkenes or shalbe drunke and proved by two sufficient Wittnesses, such person or persons for every such Offence shall pay for a fine One hundred pounds of Tobacco and Caske to the Lord Proprietary of this Province and his heirs Lords and Prop^rs of this Province.

The Lower House hath assented—Will. Bretton
The Vpper House hath assented—Tho: Hatton

Enacted by the Governor Wilm Stone.

2 An Act for punishing of some other Offences

Striking Every person striking any Officer, Juror or Witnes in presence of the Court or striking any other person with a drawne Weapon in presence of the Court, or striking any Magistrate in or for doeing of his Office may bee Judged to loose his or her right hand or to bee burned in the hand or bee put to any other corporall shame or correccōn (not extending to life, or bee fined as the Provinciaall Court or other Judge therevnto authorized shall thinke fitt. Every person that shall strike a high Sheriffe of a County or any other Officer in or for executing of his office, shalbe fined or censured as the Governor & Counsell p^rsent in Court or Comānder and Comissioners authorized from time to time for matters of Iudicature in any County Court within this Province shall thinke fitt.

false wites Every one giving false wites vppon oath or per-swading or hiring another to give such false wites vppon oath shalbe nayled to the Pillory and loose both Eares or