

At a Session of *ASSEMBLY*, begun and held at *St. John's*, on Thursday the 20th Day of *January* 1647, and ended the 4th Day of *March* following, were Enacted the following Laws.

THOMAS GREENE, Esq; Governor.

C H A P. I.

*An Act for the settling the present House of Assembly. EXP.*

Passed 20th  
Jan. 1647.

N. B. By this Act, his Lordship's Council present in the Province, and Sixteen of the Freemen (therein named) or any Ten of them assembled, with the Governor and Clerk of the Assembly, were constituted a House of Assembly to all Intents, &c.

C H A P. II.

*An Order of this present Assembly for the levying of Corn, towards the defraying of the Soldiers Wages. EXP.*

Passed 24th  
Jan. 1647.

C H A P. III.

*An Act touching the Extent of Attachments and Executions. REP. 1676, ch. 2.*

Passed 4th of  
March 1647.

C H A P. IV.

*An Act touching the Payment of Debts. REP. 1676, ch. 2.*

Ditto.

C H A P. V.

*An Act touching Pagans.*

Ditto.

Confirmed among the perpetual Laws by 1676, ch. 2, and REP. 1678, ch. 16.

C H A P. VI.

*An Act for settling Government in the Province, as the present State of Things will permit.*

Ditto.

Viz. The 1st Clause touching Soldiers Wages. *DISSENT.*

2d, - - - - Court Days. *REP. 1676, ch. 2.*

3d, - - - - Levies and Judgments. *DISSENT.*

4th, - - - - Officers Fees. *DISSENT.*

5th, - - - - Oath of Fealty. *DISSENT.*

6th, - - - - Defence of the Province.

7th, - - - - The Fort of *St. Inegoe's*.

N. B. I do not find the ACTS of this Assembly any where Recorded.

Acts and Orders of *ASSEMBLY*, assented to, enacted 1649. and made, at a General Session of the said Assembly, begun and held at *St. Mary's* on the 2d Day of *April* 1649, and ended the 21st Day of the same Month.

WILLIAM STONE, Esq; Governor.

C H A P. I. [ \*\* ]

*An Act concerning Religion. Lib. C and WH. fol. 106. Lib. WH. fol. 111. and Lib. WH and L. fol. 1.*

Passed 21st of  
April 1649.

Confirmed among the perpetual Laws 1676, ch. 2.

N. B. By this Law, (1.) Blasphemy against GOD, denying our Saviour JESUS CHRIST to be the Son of GOD, or denying the Holy TRINITY, or the Godhead of any of the Three Persons, &c. was to be Punished with Death, and Confiscation of Lands and Goods to the Lord Proprietary. (2.) Persons using any reproachful Words or Speeches concerning the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, Mother of our Saviour, or the Holy Apostles or Evangelists, or any of them, for the 1st Offence to forfeit 5*l.* Sterling to the Lord Proprietary; or, in default of Payment, to be publicly Whipped, and Imprisoned at the Pleasure of his Lordship, or his Lieut. General. For the 2d Offence to forfeit 10*l.* Sterling, or in default of Payment to be publicly and severely Whipped, and Imprisoned as before directed. And for the 3d Offence to forfeit Lands and Goods, and be for ever Banished out of the Province. (3.) Persons reproaching any other within the Province by the Name or Denomination of Heretic, Schismatic, Idolater, Puritan, Independent, Presbyterian, Popish Priest, Jesuit, Jesuited Papist, Lutheran, Calvinist, Anabaptist, Brownist, Antinomian, Barrowist, Round-Head, Separatist, or any other Name or Term, in a