

## CHAPTER 8.

AN ACT IN FURTHER ADDITION TO THE SEVERAL ACTS OR LAWS OF THIS PROVINCE, RELATING TO THE OFFICE AND DUTY OF A CORONER.

WHEREAS, by the aforesaid acts, a coroner is not impowered to constitute or appoint a deputy or deput[*ie*][y]s under him, to serve such writ[t]s as he is enabled by law to serve, so that, by reason thereof, there may be a failure or delay of justice; for prevention whereof,—

*Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governour, Council and Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,*

That, from and after the publication of this act, it shall and may be lawful for the several coroners within this province to constitute and appoint one or more deput[*ie*][y]s for and within their respective counties; and the persons so deputed and sworn are hereby authorized to serve and execute all such writ[t]s and process as shall be directed to the coroner or his deputy, wherein the plaintiff, defendant or complainant shall be a sheriff, undersheriff or deputy, of any of the count[*ie*][y]s within this province; any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding. [*Passed January 1; published January 3, 1725-26.*]

Preamble.  
1700-1, chap. 3.  
1717-18, chap. 4.

Coroners em-  
powered to ap-  
point deputies  
for serving  
writs, &c.  
7 Mass. 142.

## CHAPTER 9.

AN ACT FOR REPEALING AN ACT ENTITULED "AN ACT FOR [THE] RELIEF AND RELEASE OF POOR PRISONERS FOR DEBT."

WHEREAS the act for relief and release of poor prisoners for debt, made and pass'd in the tenth year of the reign of King William the Third, was design'd for the benefit of such debtors as, by the providence of God, and through great and inevitable losses and disappointments, are become the proper objects of the publick compassion; yet it is found by experience that the said act, instead of answering the good intention aforesaid, has been a shelter to vicious and improvident persons, a great encouragem[*en*]t to idleness and ill-husbandry, and too much a temptation to perjury, as well as injurious and oppressive to many honest creditors,—

*Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governour, Council and Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,*

That the said act for relief and release of poor prisoners for debt, and every article and clause therein, shall be repealed and annulled, and hereby are declared to be repealed and annulled, to all intents and purposes whatsoever. [*Passed December 10, 1725; published January 3, 1725-26.*]

Preamble.  
1698, chap. 11.

## CHAPTER 10.

AN ACT IN ADDITION TO THE SEVERAL ACTS OR LAWS OF THIS PROVINCE, FOR THE REGULATION OF THE CIVILIZED INDIANS INHABITING THIS PROVINCE, AND PREVENTING OPPRESSION OR ABUSES TO THEM.

WHEREAS, notwithstanding the care already taken and provided by several acts and laws of this province, for the protection of the Indian

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