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GENERAL DIGEST
OF
THE ACTS OF THE LEGISLATURE
OF
LOUISIANA:

PASSED FROM THE YEAR 1804, TO 1827, INCLUSIVE,

AND IN FORCE AT THIS LAST PERIOD,

WITH

AN APPENDIX AND GENERAL INDEX.

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contained shall not extend to any person or persons whose husband or wife shall absent him or herself one from the other, for the space of five years, the one of them not knowing the other to be living within that time, nor to any person or persons who shall be, at the time of such marriage, divorced by competent authority, or to any person or persons whose former marriage, by sentence of competent authority, shall have been declared void.

SECTION 22. If any person or persons shall commit the crime of manslaughter, and be thereof convicted, such person or persons shall be fined in a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, and may moreover be punished with imprisonment at hard labour or otherwise, as the court shall direct, not exceeding twelve months.

SECTION 23. If any person or persons, on purpose and of malice aforethought, shall unlawfully cut or bite off the ear or ears, or cut out or disable the tongue, put out an eye, while fighting or otherwise; slit the nose or a lip, cut or bite off the nose or lip, or cut off or disable any limb or member of any person, with intention in so doing to maim, disable or disfigure such person in any manner before mentioned; then in every such case, the person or persons so offending, their counsellors, aiders and abettors shall, on conviction thereof, pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, and shall be further punished with imprisonment at hard labour not exceeding seven years.

SECTION 24. Whoever shall assault another by wilfully shooting at him, or with intent to commit murder, rape or robbery, shall, on conviction thereof, be imprisoned at hard labour not exceeding two years, and shall afterwards give sufficient security for good behaviour for one year.

SECTION 25. If any person shall challenge another, or shall accept a challenge to fight with sword, pistol, rapier or other dangerous weapon, every person so challenging or accepting such challenge, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars, and may be imprisoned not exceeding two years; and if any person shall willingly or knowingly carry or deliver to any person a

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written challenge, or verbally deliver any message purporting to be a challenge to fight such duel, or shall be second to either party, or shall command, counsel, or advise or procure any person to fight such duel, every person so offending, and being thereof convicted, shall be liable to the same penalties as are by this act directed in the case last mentioned of a challenge to fight, or the accepting of such challenge.

Rescue.

SECTION 26. If any person or persons shall, by force, set at liberty or rescue any person or persons, who shall be found guilty of any capital offence, or rescue any person convicted of any capital crime, going to execution, or during execution, every person so offending, and being thereof convicted, shall suffer imprisonment at hard labour not exceeding fourteen years; and if any person or persons shall, by force, set at liberty or rescue any person or persons who before conviction shall stand indicted for any capital offence, or if any person or persons shall, by force, set at liberty or rescue any person committed for, or convicted of any other offence, every person so offending, shall, on conviction thereof, be fined not exceeding three hundred dollars, and be imprisoned at hard labour not exceeding two years.

Opposition to the law.

SECTION 27. If any person or persons shall, knowingly or willingly, obstruct, resist, oppose or insult any officer of this territory, in serving or attempting to serve or execute any *mesne* process or warrant, or any rule or order of any of the courts of this territory, or any other legal or judicial writ or process whatsoever, or shall assault, beat, wound or insult any officer, or other person duly authorized, in serving or executing any writ, rule, order, process or warrant aforesaid, every person so knowingly and wilfully offending in the premises, shall, on conviction thereof, be imprisoned not exceeding six months, and fined not exceeding two hundred dollars.

Prison breaking

SECTION 28. Whoever being lawfully imprisoned, shall break or conspire to break prison: whoever shall take any reward under pretence of helping the owner to his stolen goods: whoever shall compound any felony: whoever shall