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bound, wth two suffieient suretjes, in two hundred pounds sterling for his good behaviour & observance of the lawes against that vnlawfull practise, vnlesse he depart the Colony wthin one moneth, & not to retourne againe wthout licence first had & obteyned from the Governo^r or council."

There are in all eighteen papers in No. 1022. They consist of copies of records of the General Court, of warrant, of reasons of appeal and answers thereto, bonds, the examination of Paul Parker and numerous depositions.

LXXXVIII.

[Mass. Archives, Vol. 9, No. 57.]

A Question putt to y^e Generall Courtt* for Resolution A man Haveing Buried his first wife whether itt be lawfull for him to marrie with Her y^t was his first wiues naturall sister.

This Question is Ans^d on the negative their Brethren the Deputies hereto consenting.

13 May 1670 Edw Rawson Secret^r

Consented to by the Deputyes

William Torrey Cleric.

NOTE.

Mass. Records, Vol. IV, pt. 2, p. 454, 31 May 1670.

"In ans^r to the quaestion, whither it be lawfull for a man that hath buried his first wife to marry wth hir that was his first wiues naturall sister, the Court resolves it on the negative."

LXXXIX.

[Court Files, Suffolk, No. 988, 2nd. paper.]

To the much honered The Governer Deputie Governer & Magestrats of the honered Court of Assistance now assembled at Boston Sept. 8: 1670: The Petition of William Stacey: Humbly Sheweth:

That Satan haueing filled his heart & layed a temptation before him, his corrupt nater was redy to imbrace it And therefore he Doe & must owne the sentence of the honered Court to be just upon him & according to his merit, the which may justly stop his mouth: for ever craueing any favour from the sayd honered Court, In abateing or aquiting any part of his sentence: But becuse his poore parents & masters family (wch are giltless) are afflicted by the remain[d]er of his suffering, Therefore if your poore Supplyant (an abject) may implore your honers favours to permit

* By the Court of Assistants?

the bagg* of his iniquity to be taken off, viz the rope about his neck Dureing the Courts pleasure) it would be a great reviveing to his sayd parents and present master & famylie: wch if a poore contemptable person may obtaine It would deeply oblige him vnto your honers & vnto the lord for you, That haue made you instrumentall for his humbling: & he hope for ever a reclamation from any horrid vice: Not Daring further to presume, but in all subjection your sayd supplyant doth hum^{ly}ly submitt & remaine

Your honers in all obedience

Willm Stacy

8 of September 1670

In Answer hereto It is ordered that the Secretary send ouer to y^e Constable of Charls Towne the Copie of this Courts sentenc ag^t W^m Stacey & Requires him from this Court to see that It be performed in all respects & y^t on his neglect of wearing his Roape on the outside of his cloath^s to take him & seuerely whip him according to Lawe

By the Court Edw. Rawson Secret^r.

NOTE.

The first paper in No. 988 is a certificate in favor of "William Stasy" by his "master and dame" and others.

The Petition of William Stacey appears to be in the handwriting of William Howard.

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[Court Files, Suffolk, No. 1276, 14th and 92nd papers.]

[Fourteenth paper in No. 1276]

Att A Court of Asistants held at Boston y^e 7th march 1670.†

Theoder Atkinson Plantiffe against John willjams defendant in an Action of the Case vpon a revejw of an action Comenet by the sajd Atkinson agt the sajd willjams at a County Court held at Boston in Jaunary 1663 for not performing his promise to the sajd Atkinson for the rectifying of accounts betweene them and not attending a meeting which [was] appointed by major Generall John Leueret & m^r Thomas Bratle for that purpose &c as may further Appaere by the Attachment to the County Court dated 31th tenth month 1663 refference thereto being had wch sajd action Came to the Court of Asistants following according to Course of law by the magis^{ts} refusing the Jurjes virdict which sajd Court of Asistants found for

* Badge?

† 1670-1.