

their mischief and projects, when other people are  
 Whooop, or when they themselves are frighted to, or forced  
 from the sight of Others; can be no other way  
 = ved them by such as are privy thereto. I find it was  
 = tained to be with a woman of witchcraft, that she  
 = ved a boy of a heavy Age by snuffing him pluck up a  
 Nettle by the Root lay it upon the high way and just upon  
 it three several Mornings and Return to his house  
 fore sun Rising: in this sort two noted Witches who were  
 burnt upon their own Confessions had Deposited by the  
 that she was a Witch, and knew the Murtherings with  
 Devil and them 13 November 1629. Caltherin Alward.  
 And if the Crime of Consulting Witches may not be  
 proved by two who were Consulted, it is not possible  
 impossible to prove such Consulting by any other per-  
 sons. M. Louze from part. 1. fol. 10. 522. Women are  
 = vided witnesses in their Horrid and scandalous  
 Bodin Demagog. Demonom. lib. 4. cap. 2. M. Louze  
 and persons Injured by Witches are also allowed  
 = witness against them. Boulton Hist. of Witchcraft  
 Vol. 2. chap. 1. Enal. of. G. B. in factum. But Mr. William  
 Gaillard who Complained of an Injury done to his son  
 by witchcraft, was admitted to swear thereupon, not  
 as a witness for proof, but only as a party Informer,  
 = referring to the Inquest what Evidence should be given  
 to his Declaration 20 Decemb. 1644. Against Finnis.  
 Persons who before a Kirk Session had been Exam-  
 = ned upon points of witchcraft, were produced to the  
 = tify and approve their Depositions made before the  
 = Church Justice, and to give their oaths upon the  
 = rity thereof in presence of the Justice in the Court of  
 = ticiary 22 Decemb. 1644. Against Finnis. ~~Confessions~~  
 = several Articles of Indictment for witchcraft  
 = sustained jointly relevant together with Common  
 = Defamation of the Paper had a Witch, and the affir-  
 = mation found it proved, that she was reputed to be  
 = a notorious Witch, and brought her in clear  
 = innocent of the other Articles charged upon her  
 = the Affidavit referred to the Confession of the  
 = Justice

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 Justices of the pannel was guilty of witchcraft; in  
 respect thereof other Articles were not found relevant  
 just for 27 January 1662. Against W. Cleaveland.

The ordinary Doom against witchcraft, is to be Hang-  
 = ed or Whorrid at a Stake till they be dead, and there  
 = after their bodies to be burnt to ashes, and all their mo-  
 = veable goods and gear to be Estcheat and brought to our  
 = Sovereign Lords uses. But a Witch who commits a  
 = grave crime as being at a treasonable Conventicle with  
 = the Devil and other Witches, where the Kings Picture  
 = was given to be such a witch by him for Gods sake  
 = Majesty, was adjudged to be bound to a Stake and burnt  
 = Quind to ashes, and to have all her lands and tenements  
 = leached, Herding Rooms, possessions, goods and gear to be  
 = forfeited and Estcheat, 15 June 1591. Epiphanius M. A. C.

### Chap. 6

Of Perjury.  
 Perjury (quasi perjurium) which he had Name  
 from the perverting of Justice, is a lie affirmed Judicially  
 upon oath. Or the swearing falsely in a lawful oath,  
 = administered by one who had Authority, in any Matter  
 = relating to an issue or cause indifferently; whether it be  
 = of the persons own Accord, or by subornation of another.  
 = It is bad and sinful to tell a lie. Levit. 19. 11. But much  
 = worse to swear it. Perjury is a crime of all others the  
 = most infamous and detestable; tending to obstruct  
 = the due execution of Law, and to expose the Lives, Liber-  
 = ties and properties of the most Innocent, to the Mer-  
 = = cy of the worst Villains. In treating of which Crime  
 = I shall explain first the Circumstances necessary to  
 = infer the Manner of proving it. 3. The punish-  
 = ment of it.