

C H A P.
III.
Conveyances,
&c. to be
made to the
mayor and
corporation,
&c.

III. **And be it enacted,** That every conveyance for any ground whatever, which shall be purchased as aforesaid by the said corporation, shall be made to the mayor and corporation of the said city, and their successors, and that all rents reserved on any leases to be made as aforesaid by the said corporation, shall be reserved and made payable to the said mayor and corporation, and their successors, and that such conveyance shall be good and effectual in law, if recorded within the time appointed by law.

Fines, &c.
may be reco-
vered by exe-
cution, &c.

IV. WHEREAS, by the charter of the said city, all pains and penalties imposed by the laws of the said corporation are recoverable by distress and sale of the offenders goods, and it is represented to this general assembly, that it frequently happens that offenders against the bye-laws of the said corporation escape with impunity, not being possessed of any goods whereon the said penalties may be levied: For remedy whereof, **Be it enacted,** That all fines, forfeitures and penalties, which have been heretofore imposed, or shall be hereafter imposed, by any laws of the said corporation, or which have been heretofore incurred, or shall be hereafter incurred, shall and may be recovered by execution against the person of the offender, or by execution against the person of his bail or security, if the sheriff shall return his writ *non est inventus* against the principal.

Corporation
may impose a
tax, &c.

V. **And,** for the better defraying the charge and expence annually incurred by the corporation of the said city, for the sitting of the mayor's court, the meeting of the corporation, the payment of the prosecutor, clerks, constables, and other officers, and for the repairs of the streets and dock, and for other necessary purposes, **Be it enacted,** That the corporation of the said city shall have full power and authority to impose a tax on all property within the said city or precincts thereof, not exceeding the sum of six-pence in any one year for every one hundred pounds worth of property, direct the collection thereof by execution thereof against the property or the person of the owner.

C H A P. IV.

An ACT to revive and aid the proceedings of Cæcil county court.

The discontinuance happened in August, 1772, and the proceedings are to revive in August next. The residue of this act is copied from the act of February, 1777, ch. 11, with an addition of this proviso, that "where any of the discontinued suits were commenced within the time limited by law, and either of the parties has died since the discontinuance, or shall die before August term, the plaintiff or his representatives shall not be barred by any act of limitations in a new action brought against the defendant or his representatives, before the 1st of November next."

C H A P. V.

An ACT for the recovery of fines on non-enrollers.

If these fines be not paid by the 10th of September next, the sheriffs are to collect them by distress and sale of goods; or, if sufficient goods be not found, the sheriffs may take the bodies of the offenders and commit them until payment of the fines and costs.

C H A P. VI.

An ACT to revive the proceedings of Saint-Mary's county court.

The discontinuance was of the last March court, which had been adjourned. The proceedings are, at the next term, to be in the same state as if no discontinuance had happened.

C H A P. VII.

An ACT to continue an act for enlarging the powers of the governor and the council.

C H A P. VIII.

An ACT to reinforce the American army.

The governor and council are authorized to order part of the artillery companies, not exceeding 56 privates under a proper number of officers, to Philadelphia. Any person finding a recruit to serve three years in the American army is exempted from all military duty; and any two persons having already furnished one such recruit shall be exempted in like manner upon furnishing another; and a bounty of 30 dollars, above the continental allowance, is given to those who shall voluntarily enlist into any of the state battalions. This act prohibits, by a penalty of £. 100, the enlisting any recruit in this state, unless into one of the state battalions.

C H A P. IX.

An ACT to remove the records of the prerogative office.

From Upper Marlborough to some safe place in Anne-Arundel county, within nine miles of Annapolis, to be there kept in chests or packages ready to be removed upon the order of the governor and council. The register of Anne-Arundel is to execute this act, and to be allowed his reasonable expences.