

L. H. J. Laws are found Convenient and well Adapted to your Circumstances you Ought Especially to Enact them de novo or Such part of them as you find proper for you and not by An Act of the province [introduce] in a Lump (as it were) any of the English Statutes and these Sentiments You are to instill and make known as you see Cause.

p. 92 That they are so Mistaken in that Instruction we proceed to Shew. It is therein Alledged that the Statute of Limitations of England is not in force here

We prove it is, thus.

1st It is a Statute of England without any Limitation of place therein as to its Extent and without being restrained to some particular Subjects or denied to Others, therefore we Conclude it is in force throughout his Majestys British Dominions, and binds all the Subjects no place or person being Exempt. We are his Subjects and within his Dominions as we shall Shew.

Jamaica tho a Conquered Country (which Among some Lawyers makes a great Difference to the Advantage of its Inhabitants) is Allowed to have the Use of this Statute as we find it Averred by the Councill and Denied by none in Blankard and Galdys Case 5 William and Mary Kings Bench in these words:—But tis plain that such Statutes (of England) do bind there Jamaica, for the Statute of Limitations Extends to All Contracts made in that place. This Case reported in 4th modern page 222.

2^{ly} It is also Averred in the Said Instruction that it has been always held, that the Statutes of England did not Extend to the plantations unless by Express words Located thither, if so, the great Charter are struck out at Once from our Rule of Priviledges, for they Could not by Express words be Located hither in those Statutes that were made Long before Maryland was known or thought of.

But those Statutes that are Generall without Locall Limitation or restraint in them do Extend here, and Ever have Extended here from the first Settlement of this province, and many of Your Lordships Ancestors' Tenants have been Convicted on and Executed by them, in Allmost the Earliest Days of their Ld^{ps} Government.

Such Statutes doe and Ever did extend to Maryland For By your Lordships Charter of the 8 Ca. I Maryland whilst it was yet not Inhabited nor Cultivated by Any but the Heathen in their rude way, was in Consideration of the Laudable pious Zeal, which Your Noble Ancestors George and Cecilius Lord Barons of Baltemore [had] for the propagation