pers and Proceedings of that House in: And the Lost above the Fore-Porch C H A P. over the Commissary's Office, to be for hanging a Lanthorn out, and for a

- IV. and to make the same more commodious and fit for the Services afore. Conveniences said, he it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent for the aforesaid That the said Rooms he fitted up with all necessary and Consent Clerks. aforesaid, That the said Rooms be fitted up with all necessary and convenient Boxes and Shelves, Desks and Tables to write on; and at the Door of every Office a Bar be made, within which no Person shall come, but the Clerk of such Office, unless upon urgent and great Occasion. Nor shall the Clerk of any fuch Office, remove or convey any Record Book, or Paper of Record, out of any such Office to which it belongs, unless for the Use or by express Command of the Governor or Council, Assembly, or Justices of the Provincial or County Court.
- V. And he it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Records to be Consent aforesaid, That the Clerks of the several Offices for the Time being, kept in Order corefully and diligently keep all the Records and Papers thereof in good der. do carefully and diligently keep all the Records and Papers thereof, in good and decent Order. And that they mark on the Outside of every Book, the Dates of the several Years that the Records within mentioned, were transacted in; and the same Dates of the Years on all Bundles of Papers, and mark on the Outside of every Paper, what the Inside Contents are.
- VI. And the better to place and settle the several Clerks and Officers of the Placed in the feveral Offices and Stations above mentioned, his Excellency Francis Nicholfon, feveral Offi-Esa: his Maiesty's present Governor of this Province the Hopourable S: Esq; his Majesty's present Governor of this Province, the Honourable Sir Thomas Lawrence, Baronet, his Majesty's Secretary, and the Honourable Henry Jowles, Esq; Chancellor of this Province, and the Honourable Kenelm Che-Jeldyn, Esq; Commissary-General, or the Survivors of them, is hereby requested, authorized, impowered and desired, to settle and place the several Records and Proceedings, and the Clerks and Officers, in the several Offices and Places above Enacted and Ordained for the Uses aforesaid, as soon as the faid House is finished and compleated. And any Clerk that shall at any Time and not to be hereafter, either remove or convey out, except before excepted, any the Re-removed, &c. cords or Process of their respective Office, or neglect or omit to keep their Records in good Order, and duly entered up, contrary to the Tenor of this Act, shall, upon due Proof thereof, made against such Clerk, and Conviction thereof, in the Provincial Court of this Province, be liable to be punished by Fine of One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, or be for ever after incapable of bearing the Office of Clerk in this Province, either or both Punishments, as the Justices before whom such Matter is tried, shall adjudge; any Law, Statute or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN,

N. B. The above Act falls under the General Repeal of 1704, ch. 77, but is here inferted to flettled accordingly. The present Laws for Security of the Records, are 1715, ch. 11; 1716, ch. 1; 1742, ch. 10; 1747, ch. 3; and 1748, ch. 7.

VII. C H A P.

An Act for Reformation of Jeoffailles in Maryland. For 3 Years, or to the End of the next Session.

Passed 11th June 1697.

H **P**. VIII. A An Act for Quieting the Differences arifing between the Indians and English in EXP.

For 3 Years, or to the End of the next Session. A new Act 1717, ch. 14.

H A P.

An Act for the Naturalization of Stephen Francis, an Italian, and George Slecombe, a German born. Lib. LL. N° 2. fol. 156. PR. Ditto: H

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An Act for the Ascertaining what shall be the Sheriff's Duty upon Returns made for public Dues and Officers Fees. REP_{\bullet}

CHAP.