

same; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any Court of Record of this Province, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law to be allowed. C H A P. XXXIV.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN,
THOMAS BACON.

C H A P. XXXV.

An Act directing the Manner of Electing and Summoning Delegates and Representatives to serve in succeeding Assemblies. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 90. REP. Passed 3d of October 1704.
1708, ch. 5.

C H A P. XXXVI.

An Act to make valid, good and effectual in the Law, all Manner of Procefs and Proceedings in the several Courts of this Province, from the Year 1690, to the Year 1692; and also from the Death of Lyonel Copley, Esq; late Governor of this Province, to the Arrival of Francis Nicholson, Esq; Governor thereof; and from the Demise of his late Majesty King William the Third, to this present Time. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 93. Ditto.

C H A P. XXXVII.

An Act providing what shall be good Evidence to prove foreign and other Debts, and to prevent vexatious and unnecessary Suits at Law, and pleading Discounts in Bar. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 95. REP. 1715, ch. 49; and 1719, ch. 16. Ditto.
A new Law made 1715, ch. 29.

C H A P. XXXVIII.

An ACT for the confirming Titles of Land given to the Use of the Churches and several Chapels within this Province, empowering the Commissioners of the respective Counties, and Vestries of the respective Parishes, to take up certain Parcels of Land for the Use of the same. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 99. Ditto.

See another Act for Confirmation of Church Lands, 1722, ch. 4.

WHEREAS several pious and well-disposed Persons, have given and granted unto the respective Parishes whereto they do belong, certain Parcels of Ground, for the Use and Benefit of a Church and Church-Yard; which said Land, through the Neglect of the Vestries, who, by an Act of Assembly of this Province, made at a Session of Assembly, held at the Port of Annapolis, the Twentieth Day of July, Anno Domini One Thousand Six Hundred Ninety and Six, entitled, *An Act for the Service of Almighty GOD, and Establishment of the Protestant Religion*, were capacitated and impowered, by the Names of the principal Vestry-man, and the Rest of his Brethren Vestry-men of such Parish, to take and receive any Deed of Gift for the same, notwithstanding the Charges of the respective Parishes in building Churches or Chapels thereon, is like to be lost, or the Title thereunto very disputable, for Want of such Deed of Gift or Conveyance enrolled and recorded, as by an Act of Assembly is required; the first Donors or Grantors thereof being dead, and the Heirs of such Donors or Grantors, either refusing to make over such Land as aforesaid, or under Age, not capable of so doing. Preamble.

II. Be it therefore Enacted, by the Queen's most excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That all such Lands as have formerly been given to the Use of any Church or Chapel, and for which the Donors or Grantors thereof, in their Life Times have not made a Deed of Gift for the same, or otherwise refused so to do, and in Confidence of whose Promise the Parish have been at the Charge of Erecting and Building their Churches thereon, be and remain to the Use of the Parish for ever, against all Claims, and Pretensions of Claims made, or that hereafter shall be made, by such Donors or Grantors, or his or their Heirs, Executors or Assigns, as firmly The Titles of Lands formerly given for the Use of Churches, confirmed to the respective Parishes, notwithstanding the Want of Deeds, and Enrolment.