

or indirectly, for Loan of any Tobacco, Wares, Merchandizes, or other Commodities, for one Year, to be paid in Tobacco or other Commodities of this Province, above the Value of Eight Pounds of Tobacco for the Forbearance of One Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, and after that Rate for a greater or lesser Sum, or for a longer or shorter Time.

C H A P. LXIX. Interest of Tobacco, &c. to Eight per Cent.

II. And, That all Bonds, Contracts and Assurances whatsoever, made after the Time aforesaid for Payment of any principal Money or Tobacco, Goods or Commodities aforesaid, to be lent, or covenanted to be performed, upon or for any Usury, whereupon or whereby there shall be reserved above the Rate of Six Pounds in the Hundred for Money as aforesaid, or above Eight Pounds in the Hundred for Tobacco, or other Goods and Commodities as aforesaid, shall be utterly void.

All Bonds, &c. bearing greater Interest, shall be void.

III. And, That all and every Person and Persons whatsoever, which after the Time aforesaid, shall, upon any Contract to be made, take, accept and receive, by Ways or Means of any corrupt Bargain, Loan, Exchange, Chievezance, Shift, or Interest of any Wares, Merchandizes, or other Thing or Things whatsoever, or by any deceitful Ways or Means, or by any Covin, Instrument, or deceitful Conveyance, for the Forbearance, or giving Day of Payment, for one whole Year, of and for their Money, Tobacco, Goods and Commodities aforesaid, above the Sum of Money, or Quantity of Tobacco aforesaid, for the Forbearance aforesaid, shall forfeit and lose for every such Offence, the treble Value of the Money, Tobacco, Wares, Merchandizes, or other Thing, so lent, bargained, sold, exchanged, and shifted as aforesaid; the one Half of the said Fine and Forfeiture to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, her Heirs and Successors, for the Support of this Government, the other Half to him or them that shall sue for the same; to be recovered in any Court of Record of this Province, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law to be allowed.

Persons taking, or exacting more, forfeit treble Value.

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

C H A P. LXX.

An Act ascertaining the Expences of the Councillors, Delegates of Assembly, and Commissioners of the Provincial and County Courts of this Province. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 160. OBS.

Passed 3d of October 1704.

A new Law made 1715, ch. 42.
C H A P. LXXI.

An Act relating to the Standard of English Weights and Measures. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 162. REP. 1715, ch. 49; and 1719, ch. 16.

Ditto.

A new Law made 1715, ch. 10.
C H A P. LXXII.

An Act for Publication of Marriages. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 163. OBS.

Ditto.

A new Law made 1717, ch. 15.
C H A P. LXXIII.

An Act ascertaining what Damages shall be allowed upon Protested Bills of Exchange. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 164. REP. 1708, ch. 10.

Ditto.

A new Law made 1708, ch. 10.

C H A P. LXXIV.

An ACT declaring how Fees for Naturalization, and other private Laws, shall be proportioned. Lib. LL. N^o 3. fol. 166.

Ditto.

WHEREAS divers Complaints have been made, that several Persons have exacted and taken immoderate Fees of Persons for private Bills: For Prevention whereof for the future,

Preamble,

II. Be it 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 the Fees to be taken by the several

Fees for private Laws to be allowed by the Assembly. Clerks