

the other Half to the Informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, and shall be Whipped with Thirty-nine Lashes on his bare Back, stand in the Pillory two whole Hours, and be Banished the Province for ever.

C H A P. VIII.

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

C H A P. IX.

A Supplementary Act to the Act for ascertaining the Bounds of Land within this Province. Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 372. REP.

Passed 8th
June 1717.

This Act, together with the Original Act of 1715, *ch. 45*, were repealed by 1718, *ch. 18*, which his Lordship Dissented to; but would otherwise have expired with the Original Act on the 1st June 1719.

C H A P. X.

An ACT for laying an additional Duty of Twenty Shillings Current Money per Poll on all *Irish* Servants, being Papists, to prevent the Growth of Popery by the Importation of too great Number of them into this Province; and also the additional Duty of Twenty Shillings Current Money per Poll on all Negroes, for raising a Fund for the Use of Public Schools within the several Counties of this Province. *Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 374.*

Ditto.

BE it Enacted, *by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same,* That from and after the End of Twelve Months after the End of this General Assembly, all Masters of Ships and Vessels, or Others, importing *Irish* Servants, being Papists, into this Province, by Land or by Water, at the Time of their Entry, shall pay unto the Naval Officer for the Time being, belonging to such Port or Place where they make their Entry, the additional Sum of Twenty Shillings Current Money, over and above the Twenty Shillings Sterling per Poll imposed by a former Act of Assembly of this Province, for every *Irish* Servant so imported, on Penalty and Forfeiture of Five Pounds Current Money for every Servant that shall be by him or them concealed at the Time of his or their Entry as aforesaid, the one Half thereof to be appropriated for defraying the Public Charge of this Province, the other Half to the Informer, or to him or them that shall sue for the same; to be recovered in his Lordship's Name, in any Court of Record within this Province, that shall have Jurisdiction of the same, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law to be allowed.

A Duty of 20 s. Currency per Poll, over and above the 20 s. Sterling imposed by the Act of 1715, *ch. 36, §. 7*, laid on *Irish* Servants being Papists.

Penalty for concealing any such Servant at the Time of Entry.

II. And for the better Discovery of such *Irish* Papists; **B**e it further Enacted, *by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid,* That the Naval Officers for the Time being, belonging to the several and respective Districts within this Province, be, and are hereby authorized, impowered and required to administer to every such *Irish* Servant, except Children under the Age of Fourteen Years, (to be adjudged at the Discretion of the Naval Officer) so imported as aforesaid, the several Oaths appointed by Act of Assembly, and cause them to subscribe the Oath of Abjuration and the Test; and all and every such Servants that shall refuse to take the Oaths, and sign the Oath and Test as aforesaid, (except before excepted) shall be and are hereby deemed and declared Papists, for whom the Owner or Importer shall be obliged to pay the additional Duty, as aforesaid.

The Naval Officers shall administer the Oaths, &c. to every such *Irish* Servant, and such as refuse shall be deemed Papists.

III. And be it further Enacted, *by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid,* That from and after the Time aforesaid, for every Negro imported into this Province, either by Land or Water, the Importer or Importers of such Negroes, shall pay unto the Naval Officer aforesaid, the Sum of Twenty Shillings Current Money per Poll, over and above the Twenty Shillings Sterling

A Duty of 20 s. Currency per Poll, laid on all Negroes imported, over and above the 20 s. Sterling