

Advantages as aforesaid, in their own Right, and not otherwise. The Privileges allowed by this Act always excepted. C H A P. IX.

*Examined and Compared with the Original Act,* REVERDY GHISELIN, This Act only excepted.  
THOMAS BACON.

C H A P. X.

*An Act for the Relief of John Connaway of Ann-Arundel County, a languishing Prisoner.* Lib. LL. N<sup>o</sup> 4. fol. 528. PR. Passed 5<sup>th</sup> August 1721.

C H A P. XI.

*An Act reviving and continuing an Act, entitled, ° An Act for regulating of Ordinaries.* Lib. LL. N<sup>o</sup> 4. fol. 531. EXP. Ditto.  
° 1717, ch. 1, hereby continued till the 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1723.

C H A P. XII.

*An Act to empower his Honour the Governor, for the Time being, to appoint any Person or Persons whatsoever, to re-survey the Indian's Lands, and ascertain the Bounds thereof.* Lib. LL. N<sup>o</sup> 4. fol. 531. Ditto.

N. B. The Commission granted under this Act was to continue in Force for 3 Years; but the Proceedings and Determinations thereon, were to remain Perpetual. In pursuance whereof, the Honourable Phil. Lloyd, Esq; Col. Richard Tilghman, and Col. Matthew Tilghman Ward, were appointed Commissioners, and their Survey was confirmed by the Act of 1723, ch. 18; as being agreeable to the original Grant of 1669, ch. 1.

C H A P. XIII.

*An Act empowering a Committee to lay, assess and apportion the Public Levy for this present Year, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-one.* Lib. LL. N<sup>o</sup> 4. fol. 532. Ditto.

C H A P. XIV.

An ACT to limit the Continuance of Actions in several Courts within this Province; and ascertaining the Manner of taking the Evidence of Seafaring Men; and for granting Appeals from the Chancery Court to the Governor and Council. Lib. LL. N<sup>o</sup> 4. fol. 533. Ditto.

**W**HEREAS it is represented as an Aggrievance, the dilatory Proceedings and Continuances of Actions, in several of the Courts of this Province; For Remedy whereof for the future; **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 all Actions now depending in any of the Courts of Law within this Province, as well as all other Actions to be commenced, may be continued to the End of the Fourth Court after the Appearance Court, in any of the Courts aforesaid, and no longer, (except in Causes where Evidences are wanted from beyond Sea) which is left to the Discretion of the Court where such Case shall happen; and that it shall and may be lawful for the several Courts aforementioned, upon the Discontinuance of any Action or Actions aforesaid (if by the Act or Default of the Plaintiff) to award him to pay the Costs; but, if by the Act or Default of the Defendant, then to give Judgment for the Plaintiff; and if thro' the Default of any Attorneys neglecting their Duty in bringing Causes to a Decision, within the Time limited by this Act, in all and every such Case, every Attorney so neglecting his Duty, to the Prejudice of his or their Client, shall, for every such Neglect in the Provincial Court, forfeit the Sum of Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco: And for every Neglect in the County Court, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, and all Costs of Suit accrued on any Action discontinued by Default of such Attorney. One Half of the aforesaid Fines to the Party grieved, the other Half to his Lordship the Lord Proprietary, to be appropriated to and for the Use and Benefit of a Public or Free-School of the County where such Fines arise; to be recovered (in his Lordship's Name) in any of the Courts of Record within this Province, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoin, Protection or Wager of Law to be allowed, and but one Imparlançe: Provided that the

Actions not to be continued longer than to the End of the fourth Court after the Appearance.

Exception.

What Judgment shall be given on Discontinuance of Action.

If thro' Default of any Attorney,

Penalty.