

C H A P. II.

An ACT repealing Part of an Act, entitled, * An Act against Forging and Counterfeiting of Foreign Coins, Gold or Silver; made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the then Town and Port of Annapolis, the 2th Day of March, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seven. Lib. L. N^o 5. fol. 256. Passed 8th August 1729. * 1707, ch. 4.

WHEREAS at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis, Anno 1707, there was an Act passed, to prevent, amongst other Things; the Clipping of all Sorts of Foreign Coins; but forasmuch as such Coins, both of Gold and Silver, do at this Time pass current by Weight, and not by Tale, as heretofore, whereby the Mischiefs of Clipping are effectually prevented; and seeing that the Cutting or Clipping of Foreign Coins is now in some Measure necessary for the making of Change; this present General Assembly taking into their serious Consideration the grievous Penalties inflicted by the said Act, upon Persons clipping Foreign Coins as aforesaid, have thought fit to repeal so much of the said Act as related thereunto; Preamble.

II. *Wherefore, 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same,* That that Part of the said Act that relates to clipping the Coins therein mentioned, be, and is hereby utterly repealed, and made void. The Act of 1707, ch. 4, so far as relates to clipping of Coins, repealed.

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

C H A P. III.

A Supplementary ACT to the Acts for * regulating Writs of Error, and granting Appeals from and to the Courts of Common Law, within this Province; and for regulating † Appeals from the Court of Chancery. Lib. L. N^o 5. fol. 257. Passed 8th August 1729. * 1713, ch. 4. † See 1721, ch. 14, §. 3.

WHEREAS, in and by the said Act, amongst other Things, it is Enacted and Contained, That in all Appeals and Writs of Error from the Courts of Law, to the Governor and Council, it should and might be sufficient for the Council only, to hear and determine Matters of Controversy, whereof the first of the Council in Commission being present, should preside; whose Judgment thereupon should be definitive, in as full and ample Manner, as if the said Governor were actually present, and presiding. And forasmuch as it hath happened, that the first in Commission of the said Council, through Sickness, or other Means, could not attend the Court of Appeals, by reason whereof, some Inconveniencies and Delays to Business have been; Preamble.

II. *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 in case the Governor, and first in Commission of his Lordship's Council, be absent from the Court of Appeals, the senior Councillor then present in Court, shall preside; and the said Court shall and may hear and determine any Matter before them, whether in Law or Equity, in the same Manner they might by the said Acts have done, in case the Governor, or first in Commission was actually present, and that the Judgment of those who shall be present, shall be as effectual as if it were given by the Governor, or first nominated in his Lordship's Commission: Provided there be Five Members of the said Court present. In Absence of the Governor and President of the Council, the senior Councillor then present shall preside in the Court of Appeals. Five Members to be present.