

Witness or Witnesses, and such Sheriff, Deputy, or Under-Sheriff, shall refuse or neglect to receive the same, so tendered or offered as aforesaid to be paid, then, and in every such case, such Person or Persons so tendering or offering, shall not at any Time afterwards be obliged to pay Tobacco for such Public or County Levy, or for so much thereof as he or she had tendered Money for as aforesaid, but shall for ever afterwards be at Liberty, and have his or her Election to pay the same in Tobacco, or Money, as he or she shall think fit. C H A P. VII.

VIII. This Act to be, and continue in full Force, for and during the Term of Three Years, and unto the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the End of the said Three Years. Duration.

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

Farther continued by 1746, ch. 5; 1750, ch. 2; and by 1753, ch. 5, it was continued in Force during the Paper Money Act of 1733, ch. 6, which expired the 29th September 1764. But it is virtually continued by the Inspection Law of 1763, ch. 18, §. 28, which obliges all Sheriffs to do and perform every Thing required of them to be done, (by the above Act) so far as relates to Discounting with the Inhabitants, making out and delivering Lists of all Tobacco with which the People are charged for Public and County Levies, and of the Money by them paid, or Certificates returned (by those who make no Tobacco) on or before the Tenth Day of April, in Discharge thereof, Attendance to receive the Dues, and the Payment thereof in Money and Tobacco, in Proportion to those who have Public Allowances.

C H A P. VIII.

An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact, in the several Counties where they have arisen, or shall arise. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 242. *DISSENT.* Passed 29th October 1742.

C H A P. IX.

An Act enabling the Justices of Cæcil County, to levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of St. Mary-Anne's Parish, in the County aforesaid, the Sum of Eight Hundred Pounds. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 247. Ditto.

Viz. At Three several Annual Levies, together with the Sheriff's Salary at 5 per Cent, for erecting, building, and finishing a new Brick Church, in the said Parish, in the same Place where the old one now stands.

C H A P. X.

A Supplementary ACT to the Act, entitled, * An Act for the repairing the Damages already sustained in the Records of the Land, Secretary's, Commissary's, and County Court, Offices, and for Security of the same Records for the future. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 248. Ditto. 1716, ch. 1.

WHEREAS the Inhabitants of this Province have been at great Expence and Charge in repairing, amending, and compleating, the Records of the Land, Secretary's, Chancery, Commissary's, and County Court, Offices, and that on the well and safe keeping of which Records, and such as hereafter shall be entered and made, greatly depend the Fortunes, Interest and Estates of the People of this Province. And whereas it is not only necessary and requisite, that the Books for Entering and Recording in, should be good and well Bound, but that likewise true and legal Entries and Records be entered and made by the several and respective Officers and Clerks holding the said Offices, their Servants, Clerks or Under-writers: And whereas so great a Part of the Estates and Interest of the good People of Maryland, depend on the faithful and due Execution of the Trust committed, and to be committed, to the respective Officers and Clerks in the said several and respective Offices; and that it does not appear to this General Assembly, that the Penalty in the Bonds, to be given by the several and respective Officers and Clerks, by Direction of the said Act for repairing the Damages already sustained in the Records of the Land, Secretary's, Commissary's, and County Court, Offices, and for Security of the same Records for the future, is equal to the Trust reposed in them, or the great Share and Interest which the People, of Right, have in the same Records; nor that the said Bond is for the due Execution of the Offices of the said respective Officers and Preamble.