

C H A P. IX.

An ACT continuing an Act, entitled, ' *An Act to prevent disabled and superannuated Slaves being set Free, or the Manumission of Slaves by any Last Will or Testament.* Lib. H.S. fol. 372.

Passed 24th Dec. 1758.

^f 1752, ch. I. Hereby continued, &c. in full Force, for and during the Term of Seven Years, and unto the End of the next Session of Assembly, which shall happen after the Expiration of the said Seven Years.

C H A P. X.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, ' *An Act for the more effectual destroying of Squirrels and Crows in the Counties of Kent, Queen-Anne's, and Talbot; and for destroying Red Foxes in the said Counties.* Lib. H.S. fol 372. EXP.

Ditto.

^g 1749, ch. 9; hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. XI.

An ACT for destroying of Crows and Squirrels in particular Counties. Lib. H.S. fol. 373.

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 so much of an Act of Assembly, made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis, the Third Day of October One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-eight, entitled, *An Act to encourage the destroying of Wolves, Crows and Squirrels*, as relates to the Killing of Crows and Squirrels, so far as the same relates to the several Counties of St. Mary's, Somerset, Charles, Anne-Arundel, Cæcil, Calvert, Worcester, Prince-George's, Frederick, Baltimore, and Dorchester, be, and is hereby repealed, abrogated, and made null and void.

The Act of 1728, ch. 7, so far as relates to St. Mary's, Somerset, &c. Counties repealed.

II. And be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the First Day of March, which shall be in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-nine, That every Master, Mistress, Owner of a Family, or single Taxable, in the several Counties aforesaid, shall be, and are by this Act obliged, yearly, at some Time before the laying their County Levy, to produce to some one of the Magistrates of their County, Four Squirrels Scalps, or Crows Heads, for every Taxable Person they shall pay Levy for that Year, and the several Magistrates, before whom such Squirrels Scalps, or Crows Heads, shall be brought, shall burn, or cause to be burnt, or otherwise destroyed, such Squirrel Scalps, or Crows Heads, that shall be so produced to him or them, to prevent their being produced a second Time, and give such Person a Certificate under his Hand, certifying the Number of Squirrels Scalps, or Crows Heads, such Person brought before him, which Certificate, the Person obtaining the same, shall lay before the Justices of their County, at the Time of laying their County Levy, and the Justices of the said Counties severally shall then cause a List of Taxables of their County to be laid before them, in order from thence to compare the Number of Taxables each Person pays in the County, with the Certificates produced, that thereby it may be found what Persons have complied with this Act, and who failed therein.

Four Squirrel Scalps or Crows Heads, to be annually produced for each Taxable in the aforesaid Counties.

Certificate of the Number to be given by the Magistrate, who shall burn the same.

III. And be it further Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That every Person that shall fall short of producing a Certificate of Squirrels Scalps, or Crows Heads, in Proportion to their Taxables, according to the Directions and Exigence of this Act, the Justices of the several and respective County Courts, wherein such Person or Persons shall reside at the Time of laying the County Levy, are hereby impowered and required for each Squirrel Scalp, or Crow's Head, such Person shall fall short in Manner aforesaid, to levy upon such Person the Sum of Two Pounds of Tobacco, to be upon Execution, and collected by the Sheriff of the County, in the same Manner as the Public and County Levies are, to be applied towards the Defraying the County Charge.

Persons falling short of the Number, shall pay 2^{lb} Tobacco for every Scalp, &c. so not produced.