

C H A P.
II.

pose built, in order there to be sold, and from thence only shipped, &c. and all Persons shipping or conveying any Tobacco, or other Goods, &c. out of this Province, by any Ways or Means whatsoever, without first having landed and housed the same, in some Port or Town appointed for Trade, and taking Certificate thereof from the Officer, shall forfeit 40 s. for every Hoghead, &c. (9.) No Stilyards to be used in the said Towns for weighing Tobaccos, &c. weighing above 100 lb.; but the several County Courts to procure, at the County Charge, a Set of Scales and Weights, &c. for each Town, to be kept by the Officer, whose Fee to be 1 d. Sterling, or 1 lb Tobacco for each Draught. (10.) Any of the Commissioners who should happen to live so remote, that they, or any five of them, could not conveniently meet at the said Towns, were in such Case, empowered to nominate others, who should have the same Power. (11.) Pipe Staves and Lumber, not to be housed in the Town-Houses as Tobaccos, &c. but only unladen and landed, and Certificate thereof given, as aforesaid. (12.) All Lots, not taken up within five Years, from the Commencement of the Act of 1683, shall revert to the Owners of the Land, &c. but shall, notwithstanding, be deemed Town Lands, and enjoy the same Privileges with other Lots, &c. Provided nevertheless, that such Owners of Un-taken-up Lots, at any Time, within five Years, after the Expiration of the above mentioned five Years, on Tender of double the Value of the first Purchase of a Lot in such Town, and the Charges of the first Taking-up of the same, shall accept the same in full Satisfaction for such Lot, and shall thereupon, at the Charges of such Taker-up, make good and sufficient Assurance to him and his Heirs. And upon Refusal thereof, the Person so tendering, and his Heirs, shall from thenceforth be invested, &c. in the same Lot, as if he had taken up in due Time: Such Taker-up still following the Directions in building, or otherwise, of this and the former Acts. (13.) The several Towns hereafter mentioned, and by the former Acts made Places, &c. for Trade, being now by Experience found no Ways fitting or convenient, viz.

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| Somerset County, | } The Town on <i>Morgan's Land</i> , formerly called <i>Barrow's</i> , towards the Head of <i>Pocomoke</i> . |
| Dorchester County, | |
| Baltimore County, | } On <i>Worgan's Land</i> , near the Head of <i>Fishing Creek</i> , in <i>Little Choptank</i> . In <i>Middle River</i> , on the Land of <i>Cornwallis</i> , or <i>Leakins</i> . |
| Charles County, | |

are hereby declared to be annulled and untowned, and for ever after to be and remain to the former respective Owners, &c. (14.) The two former Acts, (in all Points not altered by the present Act) to remain in full Force. (15.) All Tobaccos, and other Commodities of this Province, brought to the several Ports, &c. for Sale or Exportation, to be weighed by the Town Scales only, and not otherwise, on Penalty of 10 s. per Hoghead, &c.

C H A P. III.

Passed 19th
Nov. 1686.

An Act for reviving the Temporary Laws of this Province. Lib. WH. fol. 288.
EXP.

To be in Force 3 Years, or to the End of the next Assembly. By this Act were revived and continued the following Laws, viz. 1661, ch. 2, 3, and 5. 1663-4, ch. 1 and 2. 1666, ch. 1 and 4. 1669, ch. 2, 3, and 7. 1671, ch. 4, 7, 8, 9, 23, 25, and 30. 1674, ch. 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 13, and 26. 1678, ch. 5, 7, 8, 10, and 11. 1681, ch. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 14. 1682, ch. 1, 2, and 3. 1683, ch. 2 and 3. And 1684, ch. 3.

C H A P. IV.

Ditto.

An Act for the Advancement of Coins. Lib. WH. fol. 292. EXP.

To endure 3 Years, or to the End of the next General Assembly. N. B. This Act sets forth in the Preamble, the great Want of ready Money, whereby the Trade of the Province, and Settlement of Handicrafts and Tradesmen therein was much impeded, and enacts (1.) That *New-England* Shillings and Sixpences, shall pass as Sterling, (viz. at the Advance of 3 d. in each Shilling) *French* Crowns, Pieces of Eight, and Rix-Dollars, to pass at 6 s. Ducatoons at 7 s. 6 d. and all other Coins of Silver or Gold, foreign or not foreign (except base Coin) to be taken and received with the Advance of 3 d. Sterling, in the Value of 12 d. Sterling. (2.) All such Coins so advanced, to be received in all Payments contracted for in ready Money, or the Persons refusing so to accept thereof, to lose such Debt, never to be recovered in any Court, &c. (3.) Persons exporting such Coins so advanced, to forfeit the same, Half to his Lordship, and Half to the Informer. (4.) This Act not to affect his Lordship's Rents, &c. nor extend to protested Bills of Exchange. (5.) Officers Fees, and Ordinary Keepers Accommodations, to be payable in such Coin so advanced, at the Rate of 6 s. for every 100 lb Tobacco, if tendered in ready Money; otherwise to be paid in Tobacco, as usual before this Act, &c. A new Act, 1692, ch. 44.

C H A P. V.

Ditto.

An Act for Naturalization of Derrick Browne. Lib. WH. fol. 294. PR.

C H A P. VI.

Ditto.

*An Act for Naturalization of Paul * Berté, and Mary his Wife.* Lib. WH. fol. 294. PR.

* *Barteaud*, in the Journal.