Actions, when to be brought. SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid, That all actions hereafter to be brought on sheriffs' bonds hereafter to be passed, shall be sued or brought within the space of five years after the passing such bond, and not afterwards; and all actions hereafter to be brought on sheriffs' bonds, heretofore entered into, shall be brought and commenced within three years after the end of this present session of assembly, and not afterwards.

Proviso.

Sec. 4. Provided, That this act, nor any thing herein contained, shall bar his sacred majesty, his heirs and successors, nor the right honourable the lord proprietary, his heirs and successors, from suing in their own right, at any time; and, if any person entitled to sue such bond, shall be at the time of any cause of action on such bond, under the age of one and twenty years, feme-covert, non compos mentis, imprisoned, or beyond the sea, that then such person or persons shall be at liberty to bring his, her or their action within the space of five years after such impediment removed, as other persons having no such impediment might or should have done.

The saving in favor of non-residents is repealed by 1818, ch. 216.

MAY, 1730.—CHAPTER 17.

An Act for the preservation of the breed of Wild Deer.

This has lost its general character by the substitution of various local regulations.

August, 1731.—CHAPTER 15.

An Act to oblige the several officers within this province to write their fees in words at full length, and for clerks to deliver bills of cost, if required.

Preamble.

WHEREAS several of the inhabitants of this province have complained, that several of the officers within this province write their accounts of fees in such abbreviated words that the people cannot by any means satisfy themselves for what the said fees became due; for prevention, whereof for the future,

Accounts to be in words at length, &c.

SEC. 2. 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 from and after the end of this present session of assembly, all the several and respective officers within this province shall be, and are by virtue of this act, obliged to draw out the particulars of their fees in a fair legible hand, and in words at full length, and on failure thereof, such officer to lose such fees so expressed in words cut off or abbreviated.

See November, 1779, ch. 25, sec. 9; 1826, ch. 247.