

43 Elizabeth.—A. D. 1601.

STATUTES.

NOTES.

CHAP. 2. Poor.—Prisons.

CHAP. 3. Soldiers.

CHAP. 4. Charitable uses.

CHAP. 6. An act to avoid trifling and frivolous suits in law, in her majesty's courts in Westminster.

CHAP. 6. The first part of this statute was not in force in the province—as to the last part, it appears that notwithstanding the extension of the statute of Gloucester, the provisions in this statute, and in those of James 1 and Charles 2, as to costs, have not been generally adopted. I have been informed of a case of an assault in the former provincial court, in which the statute 22 and 23 Car. 2, Ch. 9, was adjudged to be in force, but the usual practice has been different, and I believe the adjudications in the county courts have been different.

I find, also, that in the act of 1669, Ch. 2, for limitation of certain actions, &c. there was a provision, that if in an action on the case for slanderous words, damages under 40s were given, no more costs should be given—but this act expired after three years.

CHAP. 9. Fish.—Leases.

CHAP. 10. Drapery.

CHAP. 11. Fens.

CHAP. 12. An act concerning matters of assurances used among merchants.

CHAP. 12. See 2 Bl. Com. 75, as to the court erected in pursuance of this statute, in which it is stated that no commission as therein directed, had of late years issued, besides which, it will be seen that the provisions of this statute could not have been extended to the province.



1 James 1.—A. D. 1604.

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CHAP. 3. Bishops.

CHAP. 5. Leets.

CHAP. 6. Labourers.

CHAP. 9. Alehouses.

CHAP. 10. An act for the better execution of justice.

CHAP. 10. This statute provided that nothing should be taken for the report of a cause referred by any court.