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Churches and Chappels.

I. *An. Dom.* 1697. p. 43. All such Lands as have been formerly given to the use of any Church or Chappel, tho the Donors in their Life time have not made any Deed of Gift of the same; and in confidence of whose promise the Parish hath been at the Charge of erecting and building their Church thereon, shall be and remain to the use of the Parish for ever, and against all Claims made or to be made by the said Donors, Heirs, Executors, or Assigns.

II. The Grand Jury of every County within this Province, shall enquire by what Titles such Lands whereupon the severall Churches or Chappels of the respective Parishes within their Precinct stand, are held, and give an Account thereof to the Court, who shall examine Witnesses where such Lands appear to be given, and not confirmed, in *perpetuam rei memoriam*, and record the same in the County Court Records, which shall be adjudged and taken in all Courts of Record in this Province as a sufficient Proof of the Donation.

III. And in case it shall appear that Lands have been given for the use of any Church, &c. but the quantity not mentioned, in every such case the Vestry of such Parish where the Gift hath been made, and the quantity not ascertained, may demand and take for the use of the Church thereunto adjacent, 2 Acres of such Lands, and no more, which they shall cause to be staked out, and return 2 Certificates thereof, one of which to be recorded in the County Court, the other in the High Court of Chancery, in *perpetuam rei memoriam*.

IV. Where the Vestry of any Parish have, or shall think convenient to place a Church, or Chappel of Ease, but the Owners of such Lands, chosen out by such Vestry, for such use, either refusing, or making unreasonable demands for the same, or being under Age, &c. In such cases the Commissioners of the County Court may

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