

and Council the same shall be final, and without any further review, unless it shall exceed the sum of three hundred pounds sterling. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and every person or persons whatsoever shall conceive him or themselves relievable in equity before a Court of Chancery from any judgment given or obtained against him in the Provincial Court or county court aforesaid, shall exhibit his bill and proceed in such Court of Chancery before any appeal be entered or prosecuted before the Governor and Council aforesaid and not afterwards, and that all such persons that shall conceive themselves aggrieved by any decree in the said Court of Chancery, wherein the original debt shall exceed the sum of fifty pounds sterling or twenty thousand pounds of tobacco, shall be at liberty to exhibit his prayer to the Governor and Council to review and examine the same, and that such sentence, judgment or decree of the said Governor and Council, either in law or equity as aforesaid, shall be final in this province. Not but that any person or persons aggrieved with such sentence, judgment or decree of the said Governor and Council where the real value in dispute shall exceed three hundred pounds sterling, according to their Majestys' royal commission and instruction to his Excellency Francis Nicholson, Esq., their Majestys' Captain General and Governor in Chief of this province, shall and may appeal to their Majestys in their Privy Council according as their Majestys by their said commission and instructions have been pleased graciously to appoint and direct. And that one act of assembly made at the general assembly of this province begun and held at the City of St. Mary's, the tenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety and two, entitled an Act for Appeals and Regulating Writs of Error, and every part thereof, be and is hereby utterly repealed and made void. And that all writs of error or appeals already made from any judgment of the Provincial Court to the Governor and Council in the Assembly, shall and may be heard and determined by the said Governor and Council out of assembly time, anything in the same writ, or any other former law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding. This act to endure for three years or to the end of the next session of assembly.

The limitation of the act to three years' duration was in accordance with a general practice