CHAP. XVII.

'His Majesty was pleased to approve of the said Report, and did Order, as it is hereby Ordered, that the Act lately passed in Maryland for the Fourteen Pence Tonnage be, and it is

' hereby, set aside and disallowed. And that the Lord Baltimere be permitted, without any Disturbance or Interruption, to collect and receive, by such Person or Persons as he shall there-

unto authorize and appoint, the said Duty of Fourteen Pence per Ton, for Port-Duties or Anchorage, for his own Use, of Right belonging to him by Law, as Lord Proprietary of ' the said Province. And as well Col. Copley, their Majesty's present Governor, as the Lord

Baltimore, and all others whom it may concern, are to take Notice of his Majesty's Pleasure hereby signified, and to comply with the several Particulars of the said Report.

John Nicholas.' And accordingly, at a Council held here on the 2d October 1693, the Board being moved on Behalf of Lord Ba timore in Relation to the above Report and Royal Order, it was Ordered, that the King's Commands touching the same, should be fully observed, and that the said Report, and King's Order, should be entered in the Journal of the Council, and likewise in the Provincial Office, that all Persons concerned might take Notice thereof.

A P. XVIII. H Passed 9th of An Act ascertaining the Expences of the Commissioners of the Provincial and County Courts. Lib. LL. fol. 60. and Lib. WH and L*. fol. 120. REP. 1694, June 1692. ch. 7. H A P.

- An Act for taking away all Errors in Proceedings at Law and Equity, and in the Court for Probat of Wills, occasioned by the late Revolution. Lib. LL. fol. 64. Ditto. Lib. WH and L*. fol. 79. and Lib. LL. N° 2. fol. 12. C H A P.
- An Act for settling Naval Officers Fees within this Province. Lib. LL. fol. 66. Ditto. and Lib. WH and L*. fol. 66. N. B. This Act takes Notice in the Preamble of a Fee paid upon Clearing out every Ship, under the Pretext of Secretary's Fees of 21. 1 s.4 d. besides other Fees to inferior Officers for writing Entries, Permits and Clearings, without any Pretence or Colour of Law, &c. and then settles a Fee of 40 s. Sterling to the Governor for Entering, Clearing and granting Permits to each Ship or Vessel trading into this Province; except Sloops trading between Virginia and this Province, which were to pay only 10 s. Sterling for each Clearance. And the Governor to find Officers for the due Execution of the Premises without any further Expence to the Shipping; but that this Act should not extend to the Fees or Perquisites due to the Collectors, &c. A new Act was made 1694, ch. 10, whereby 3 d. per Ton was given to the Governor on all Ships (not being Country Property) trading and coming into this Province; and the Naval Officers had

their own separate Fees established. H A P. XXI.

- An Act enabling one Burgess out of each County, to lay the Public Levy of this Province for this present Year. Lib. LL. fol. 69. OBS. Ditto. N. B. This Act is not recorded in Lib. WH and L*. probably for the same Reason as the last Section of ch. 8, above, viz. That it was not thought necessary, the Purposes thereof being immediately compleated. H A P. XXII.
- An Act for the Imposition of Four Pence per Gallon on Liquor imported into this Province. Lib. LL. fol. 70. and Lib. WH and L*. fol 143. REP. 1694, Ditto. ch. 19. Payable for the space of 3 Years, for discharging the great Expences accruing to this Province in Paying of Soldiers, Discharging the Arrears of the late Government, Repairing of Court-Houses and Prisons, and also for Raising a better Allowance for paying the Charge of their Majesty's Councillors and Justices of the Provincial Court, and for Paying an Agent of this Province

in England. C H A P. XXIII. An Act appointing Peter Pagan, Merchant, to be Agent for their Majesty's Province of Maryland. Lib. LL. fol. 72. and Lib. WH and L*. fol. 145. Ditto.

REP. 1694, ch. 17. A P. C H

An Act for the Publication of all Laws within this Province. Lib. LL. fol. 73. Lib. WH and L*. fol. 34. and Lib. LL. N° 2. fol. 11. REP. Ditto. A new Law made 1704, ch. 18. XXV.

C H A P. An Act for the Election of Sheriffs. Lib. LL. fol. 75. and Lib. WH and L*. Ditte. fol. 35. REP. N. B. By this Act the Continuance of a Sheriff in his Office was limited to two Years: But by 1699, ch. 26, it was extended to 3 Years. CHAP.