

At a Session of ASSEMBLY begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, on Friday the 26th Day of *September*, and ended on Wednesday the 15th Day of *October*, in the 10th Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable FREDERICK, absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of *Maryland* and *Avalon*, Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, &c. *Annoq; Domini*, 1760: The following Laws were Enacted.

HORATIO SHARPE, Esq; Governor.

C H A P. IX.

Passed 13th
Oa. 1760.

An Act for easing the Inhabitants of this Province, from the great and unequal Burthen of the Additional Land-Tax. Lib. H.S. fol. 386. EXP.

N. B. It appearing by the Proceedings of the Commissioners, appointed by the Act of 1756, *ch. 5*, to ascertain the Additional Land-Tax, which was to make good the Deficiency of the Duties and Taxes thereby imposed for sinking the 40000*l.* that there would be imposed a Tax of 7*s. 7d.* per 100 Acres on all Lands, and a farther Sum of 7*s. 7d.* on every 100 Acres held by Papists; which must have been wholly discharged in pursuance of that Act, by the 25th *March* 1761: The aforesaid Rates were hereby declared to be null and void, &c.

The several Duties, Taxes, Fines, &c. imposed by that Act, for replacing and sinking the 40000*l.* were hereby continued during this Act.

Such Parts of the Act of 1746, *ch. 1*, as relate to the Regulation of Ordinaries, Ordinary-Keepers, and granting of Ordinary Licences; and all such Clauses of the Act of 1754, *ch. 9*, as related to the several Duties, Taxes, Licence Money, &c. therein mentioned (except the Duty on Servants imported for 7 Years or upwards, and that of 2*d.* per Gallon on *Madeira* Wine) were likewise continued during this Act.

In Order to provide against Deficiencies, certain Commissioners were appointed, and empowered to meet at the Loan Office on the 1st Monday in *August* 1762, and to make an Estimate of what the several Taxes, &c. herein mentioned and continued would Amount to in 7 Years, allowing the 7th Years Collection to be equal to the averaged Rate of the 6 preceding Years; and if it should appear by such Estimate, that the 40000*l.* would not be sunk by the 20th *June* 1763, then the said Commissioners were to ascertain what Rate, by way of Additional Land-Tax, to be imposed in the same Manner with the former Land-Tax, would be sufficient to make good such Deficiency, adding thereto 500*l.* and to make out Certificates thereof under their Hands and Seals, to the Collectors of the Land-Tax in the several Counties, &c. Which Additional Land-Tax was, in such Case to be collected, levied, accounted for, and paid, under the same Penalties, &c. as the Land-Tax in the Act of 1756, *ch. 5*, is directed.

In Case of a Surplus to be raised by Virtue of this Act over and above making good the Deficiency aforesaid; the same to be applied towards the Discharge of the public Expence of this Province, as the General Assembly shall direct.

This Act to continue until the 20th *June* 1763, and to the End of the next succeeding Session, so that it expired on the 26th *November* 1763.

C H A P. X.

Passed 15th
Oa. 1760.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, "An Act for the speedy Recovery of small Debts out of Court, before one Justice of the Peace. Lib. H.S. fol. 390. EXP.

^a 1753, *ch. 13*, hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. XI.

Ditto.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, "An Act for the Gauge of Barrels for Pork, Beef, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, and Tare of Barrels for Flour or Bread. Lib. H.S. fol. 390. EXP.

^b 1745, *ch. 11*, hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. XII.

Ditto.

An Act continuing an Act, entitled, "An Act for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the Prosecution of Suits at Law; and for continuing the "Supplementary Act thereto. Lib. H.S. fol. 391. EXP.

^c 1714, *ch. 4*: ^d 1728, *ch. 24*: Both which are hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P.