C H A P.
XIII.
Gift of Slaves
to be under
Hand and
Seal,acknowledged and
recorded.

II. Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That from and after the End of this Session of Assembly, no Negro, or other Slave, whereof the Donor shall retain the Use and Possession, shall pass, alter or change, or any Property thereof be transferred to any Donee, unless the Gift be by Writing under the Hand and Seal of the Donor, and acknowledged before One Provincial Justice, or One Justice of the County where the Donor shall reside, and Recorded in the Records of the same County within Twenty Days from the Time of the Execution thereof.

Proviso, as to actual Delivery, or Bequest.

III. Provided always, and it is the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, That nothing herein contained, shall extend, or be construed to extend, to make void any Parol Gift of any Negro, or other Slave, where there shall be an express Delivery of such Slave, in pursuance of such Gift, and where the sole Use and Possession of the same shall be transferred to the Donee; nor to make void any Bequest of any Negro, or other Slave, by any Last Will and Testament.

C H A P. XIV.

Passed 21st Nov. 1763.

An Act to aid the Proceedings of the Vestry of St. Stephen's Parish, in Cacil

County. Lib. H.S. fol. 440.

N. B. The Small-Pox raging in the Neighbourhood, so as to prevent the Election of Vestrymen and Church-wardens on Easter Monday 1760; this Act makes good and valid all the Proceedings of the Vestrymen and Church-wardens of the said Parish, since the said Easter Monday 1760; as if the Election of new Vestrymen, &c. had been actually made on the Easter Monday aforesaid, the said Omission notwithstanding.

C H A P.

Ditto. An Act to impower John Paca, Robert Adair, Moses Hill, and Margaret his Wife, to sell and dispose of the Lands therein mentioned, late the Lands of William Hammond, of Baltimore County, Deceased, for the Payment of the Debts of the said William Hammond. Lib. H.S. fol 441. PR.

C H A P. XVI.

Ditto. A Supplementary ACT to an Act, entitled, h An Act for Erecting a County b 1746, cb 7. School in Worcester County, and appointing Visitors for the same. Lib. H.S.

fol. 445. N. B. The Funds of the faid School being insufficient for purchasing 100, or more, Acres of Land, pursuant to the Directions of the Act of 1723, ch. 19; This Act, (1.) Impowers and directs the Visitors, with all convenient Speed, to purchase Four Lots in Snow-hill Town, to them and their Successors for ever, for the Use of the said School; and thereon to cause a Public School for the said County to be erected and built, &c. (2.) And whereas, at the Time of Erecting Worcester County, by the Division of Somerset County, there was a considerable Sum in the Hands of the Visitors of Somerset County School, they are hereby made accountable to, and ordered to pay to, the Visitors of Worcester County School, one Moiety of the Money which was in their Hands at the Time of the Division aforesaid of Somerset County: And the Visitors of Worcester County School, are impowered to demand and receive from the Visitors of Somerset County School, the said Moiety, for the Use of Worcester County School; and in case of Refusal, to Sue the Visitors of Somerset County School, to account for and pay the said Moiety, &c. But the Visitors of Somerset County School, shall not be answerable for the same out of their own private Monies or Estates; but it shall be paid, or (if necessary) levied out of the Monies belonging to Somerset County School, now in the Hands of the Visitors, or the Treasurers, or which shall hereaster come to their, or any of their, Hands. (3.) There being at the Time of the Division of Somerset County, in the Hands of James Hollyday, Esq; deceased, late Treasurer of the Eastern Shore, sundry Sums of Money due to Somerset County School, the Visitors of Worcester County School, are impowered and directed to receive from James Hollyday, Esq; Executor o the said James Hollyday, deceased, the one Moiety of all such Sums, which at the Time of the Division of Somerset County, were in the Hands of the said late Treasurer due to Somerset County School, &c.

C H A P. XVII.

Ditto. An Act for the Adjournment and Continuance of Frederick County Court. Lib

H.S. fol. 446. OBS.

Viz. From the third Tuesday in November, to the second Tuesday in December.

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