

late Majesty of Pious Memory, Intituled, *An Act for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession of the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line.*

Pass'd June 3d, 1715.



No. 66.

An Act for Quieting Possessions, Inrolling Conveyances, and Securing the Estates of Purchasers.

FORASMUCH as a good and beneficial Law, Intituled, *An Act for quieting of Possessions*, was made the Twenty seventh Day of *March*, Anno Domini One thousand six hundred seventy one, in this Province, which, by the Use thereof, hath been found very much conducing to the Benefit of the said Province; Be it therefore Enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Majesty's Governor, Council, and Assembly of this Province, and the Authority of the same, That all Sales, Gifts and Grants, at any time before the Thirteenth Day of *April*, One thousand six hundred seventy four, (and not after) of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within this Province, by any Person or Persons whatsoever, that had Right to sell, give, or grant such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, made by Writing only, with or without Seal, shall for ever, hereafter, be accounted good and available in Law, to bar the Heirs of such Vendors, Donors, or Grantors; any Error in the Form only of such Writing to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND forasmuch as divers Assignments of Patents, written on the Backside of such Patent for Land, are now worn out, and also other Sales in Paper, either worn out, or quite lost, for which the Purchase-Money hath been, *bona fide*, paid; Be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That all Sales, Gifts, or Grants, at any time before the said Thirteenth Day of *April*, One thousand six hundred seventy four, made by Persons that Right had, as aforesaid; if either the Sale, Gift, Grant, or Payment, *bona fide*, can be proved by Witnesses, such Sale, Gift, or Grant, shall for ever, hereafter, be accounted good and available in Law, to bar the Heirs of such Vendors, Donors, or Grantors, or any Person claiming Dower from such Vendor, Donor, or Grantor, any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That all Sales and Grants of any Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, made by Deed, Indented and Inroll'd since the said Thirteenth Day of *April*, One thousand six hundred seventy four, or that hereafter shall be so Made and Inroll'd, shall be good and available in Law, without Livery of Seizin.

AND whereas in the Year of Our Lord One thousand six hundred seventy four, and in the Forty second Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable *Cacilius*, Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, a very good Law was made, whereby it was Enacted by his said Lordship, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Upper and Lower Houses of the then General Assembly, That no Manors, Lordships, Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments whatsoever, within this Province, should alter, pass, or change from one to another (as by the said Act, Relation being thereunto had, more at large may appear) except the same were Acknowledg'd and Inroll'd, as in the said Law is directed: Be it therefore hereby Declared and Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That whatsoever Deed or Deeds, Conveyance or Conveyances, during the Continuance of the said Law were Inroll'd, by Virtue of the said Law, within the