- HE title of all lands, formerly given to any church or chapel, whereon the parishes have built churches, &c. are confirmed to such parishes forever, notwithstanding the want of deeds, and of enrolling or recording the same.—1704, c. 38, § 1, 2.
- 2. The several county grand juries, next after the publication of this act, were required to enquire by what title such lands were held, and to render account thereof to the several county courts, who were empowered to examine witnesses in perpetuum Rei Memoriam, and cause the same to be recorded; and such record to be sufficient proof both of the donation and quantity.—ibid. § 3.
- 3. Where such lands appear to have been given, but the quantity not mentioned by the donor, the vestry were empowered to demand and take two acres, and cause the same to be marked and staked out; and to return two certificates thereof, one to be recorded in the county court, the other to be registered in the high court of chancery.—ibid. § 4.
- 4. The vestry of any parish, having fixed on any place, by them thought most for the conveniency of the parishioners, to fix any chuch or chapel of ease, may apply to the county court, who shall order a jury of enquiry to be impannelled for condemning two acres for the said use, who shall proceed according to the act of 1697, c. 5.—ibid. § 5.
- 5. If any devise of lands or tenements to the use of any church, &c. or for support or maintainance of the clergy of the church of England, or to the use of the church, or support of the protestant religion in general, without mentioning to what church, chapel, or person, shall be good in law, notwithstanding such omission, or any uncertainty in the wording of the will, if the sense of the testator can be reasonably collected from the will.—1722, c. 4, § 2. (But see Charitable uses.)
- 6. Where the intent of the testator is at large, the land so devised, shall go to the parish or incumbent where the land lies, in the same manner as glebes are held.—Provided the will be signed in presence of three or more credible witnesses, and duly proved.—ibid. § 3, 4.
- 7. This act shall not affect lands heretofore or now disputed at law.

 —ibid. § 4.
- 8. The churches, chapels, glebes, and all other property now belonging to the church of England, ought to remain to the churches of England for ever.—Decl. 33.
- 9. The select vestries and their successors, shall, as trustees of the parish, be vested with an estate in see in all the glebe-lands, as also in all churches