

Passed 3d of
October, 1704.

1697, ch. 5.

Preamble.

Purchases con-
firmed.Lots, &c. con-
firmed to the
County.

Laws repealed.

Rights saved.

Act declared in
force.

An ACT confirming purchases made by the commissioners of the respective counties by virtue of a former act of assembly, entitled, An act empowering the commissioners of each respective county to purchase land for use of their respective courts, &c. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 168.

WHEREAS at a general assembly, held at the port of Annapolis, the 26th day of May, one thousand six hundred ninety-seven, a certain act of assembly was made, entitled, An act empowering the commissioners of each respective county to purchase lands for the use of their respective courts, which is now executed;

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the Queen's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of her majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same, That what purchases of lands the commissioners had made according to the said act, for the use of the respective counties, and recorded within the several and respective county courts whereunto they properly belong, shall be a perpetual bar against him, her or them, from whom the land was purchased, and against all persons claiming by, from or under him, her, them, or any of them, for ever.

III. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That the lot whereon the court-house of Dorchester now stands, and the tenement thereon, remain to the use of that county for ever, as by the last paragraph of the said act is more at large expressed.

An ACT repealing all former acts of assembly heretofore made, saving what are hereby excepted. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 169.

BE IT ENACTED, by the Queen's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of her majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same, That all and every act and acts of assembly of this province, made or enacted at any time before the session of assembly begun and held at the port of Annapolis, the twenty-sixth day of April, one thousand seven hundred and four, except the act, entitled, An act for establishment of religious worship in this province, according to the church of England, and for the maintenance of ministers, and except the act for keeping good rules and orders in the port of Annapolis, and which are not revived, saved, and enacted this present session of assembly, be and are hereby repealed and made void.

II. SAVING ALWAYS, To all and every person or persons, whatsoever was and is his and their rights and benefits, which he or they had by the former acts of assembly, any thing in this present act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

An ACT confirming to the governor of this province the duty of three-pence per ton upon the burthen of ships and vessels. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 170.

An ACT declaring an act, entitled, An act ascertaining the bounds of land, to be in force. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 170.

1699, ch. 18, hereby continued to the end of the next session.

An ACT declaring the petitionary act relating to the free-school, to be in force. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 171.

BE IT ENACTED, by the Queen's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of her majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same, That the petitionary act of assembly, for founding and establishing free-schools within this province, made at a general assembly of this province, begun and held at Annapolis, the first day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and ninety-six, directed to his most excellent majesty, and every branch, clause and paragraph thereof, is hereby declared to stand and be in full force, power and virtue, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever.