

## C H A P. II.

An ACT for naturalization of Thomas Harvey, of Calvert county, and his children. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 119. A Private Act. Passed 3d of June, 1715.

## C H A P. III.

An ACT repealing an act, entitled, \* An act for uniting Newport hundred, now part of King and Queen's parish, to William and Mary parish, in Charles county, and for re-uniting the same to King and Queen parish, in St. Mary's county. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 119. 1706, ch. 7.

## C H A P. IV.

An ACT for vesting in the rector, governors and visitors of free-schools, and their successors, for ever, a certain lot of land in the city of Annapolis, and an house thereon erected, commonly called the Kentish house, and empowering the said rector and visitors more easily to transact the business of the said free-schools. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 120.

**W**HEREAS in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred ninety and six, the honourable Francis Nicholson, Esquire, his then majesty's captain-general, and governor in chief in and over this province, excited by a laudable zeal and pious inclination of promoting a free-school within the town and port of Annapolis, and being possessed of three lots of land in the said town, lying to the foot of the state-house hill, on the eastward thereof, did not only freely give and bestow one of the said lots lying to the south-west side of the said lots, but also the sum of ten pounds sterling for and towards an house to be built thereon, but did also prevail with a certain Anthony, alias William Workman, formerly of Kent Island, but then of Annapolis, inn-holder, to advance, give and bestow, one hundred and fifty pounds sterling more, for and towards the building of the said house or tenement on the aforesaid lot, and together with the said Workman, and a certain William Freeman, of Philadelphia, bricklayer, entered into articles for the building and erecting the said house, to be held and enjoyed by the said Workman, during his natural life, and afterwards to remain over to the use of the free-schools; in pursuance whereof the said house was erected on the lot aforesaid, and the said Anthony, alias William Workman, in consideration of his money so advanced, by ordinance of the general assembly had liberty and licence granted to him to keep an ordinary in the said house, during his natural life, free and discharged from the payment of the fine then imposed by law therefore; and the further to corroborate and assure the said lot and house to the rector, governors and visitors, and their successors, for ever, to the use aforesaid, by an act of assembly made at the said town and port of Annapolis, in Anne-Arundel county, in the month of July, in the year aforesaid, entitled, An act for keeping good rules and orders in the port of Annapolis, it was, among other things, therein enacted, by the authority of the said assembly, that all those deeds, obligations, writings and evidences, made by and between his excellency Francis Nicholson, Esquire, captain-general and governor of this province, on the one part, and Anthony Workman, of Kent Island, in the county of Talbot, of the other, and William Freeman, bricklayer, of Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania, of the other part, concerning a lot of land in the said town, and building an house thereon, to the use of the said Anthony Workman during his natural life, and after his decease to the use of the free-school of the said town for ever, bearing date the eighth day of June, one thousand six hundred ninety and six, and ordered to be recorded in the journal of the governor and council, and of the house of delegates of that general assembly, should be of absolute and full force, and available in law, to the uses therein expressed, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, any defect in form, or want of form in the same, notwithstanding; but forasmuch as the said deeds, obligations, writings and evidences, upon search, are not found to be recorded in either of the said journals, they being defaced and torn, or can otherwise be discovered or found, the present rector, governors and visitors of free-schools have prayed, that in order to confirm the said lot, house and tenements, to them and their successors for ever, to the use aforesaid, it might be enacted,

II. AND BE IT 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 the aforesaid lot and houses, or tenements thereon erected, shall, in all times to come, be deemed, reputed and taken, to be and remain, and be invested and remain in the aforesaid rector, governors and visitors, of the free-schools, and their successors, as in an indefeasible estate in fee-simple, for ever, to the use of the free-school in the city of Annapolis, and to no other use, intent or purpose whatsoever, the

Lot, &c. confirmed to the rector, &c.