

did take up a lot or lots, and thereon build, according to the dimensions prescribed by the said laws, or any of them, in any town land laid out and allotted for a town by the former laws, or any of them, their heirs and assigns, shall have, hold and enjoy, a good, sure and indefeasible estate of inheritance, in fee-simple, of, in and to such lot and lots so taken up and built upon as aforesaid.

V. PROVIDED, That where the owner of any tract of land, laid out for a town by any of the aforesaid acts, is unpaid for any lot taken up and built upon according to the directions of the said laws, such owners may, after request made, have an action of debt for the value of such lot, according to the value of the commissioners or jurors empowered to value the same by such former law, against any taker up or owner of any such lot or lots that hath not paid for the same, his heirs, executors or administrators, in any of his majesty's courts of record within this province that can hold plea of the same. Proviso.

VI. PROVIDED FURTHER, That this act, nor any thing therein contained, shall extend, or be construed to extend, to prejudice the right of Richard Bennet, Esquire, to such part of the land laid out for a town in Worton creek, in Kent county, whereon houses, orchards and improvements were at the time of laying out that town. Proviso.

VII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid*, That where any person or persons whatsoever have taken up any lot or lots by virtue of the before recited acts of assembly, since the first day of August, one thousand seven hundred and nine, and paid for the same to the owner, but not built thereon, being discouraged by her late majesty's disallowance of the said acts, shall and may, by virtue of this act, have the money or tobacco repaid him or them by the person or persons that received the same, their executors or administrators, and for non-payment, after demand made, to recover and sue for the same in any court that may hold plea thereof. Persons to be repaid.

VIII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, *by the authority aforesaid*, That all and every lot or lots, parcel or portion of ground, assigned to the use of any community, and paid for, and built upon according to the directions of any the aforesaid acts, before her said majesty's disallowance to the said acts was notified, shall remain to such community for whose use it was built, her said majesty's disallowance of the said acts afterwards notwithstanding. Lots, &c. to remain, &c.

IX. AND, whereas sundry persons have taken up lots in divers towns of this province, and have begun to build, so that they have erected frames, though not quite finished their houses according to the directions of the aforesaid town laws, BE IT ENACTED, *by the authority aforesaid*, That all such persons who have taken up lots, and erected frames in such towns, shall have and enjoy a good, sure, and indefeasible estate of inheritance, to them and their heirs, in such lots so improved upon, notwithstanding they have not complied with the exact prescriptions and directions of the aforesaid town laws. Rights confirmed.

## C H A P. XXXIII.

An ACT for stay of execution after the tenth of May, yearly. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 186. Repealed after 10th May, 1792, by 1791, ch. 67. Passed 3d of June, 1715.

Supplementary, &c. acts, 1721, ch. 4. 1728, ch. 24. and 1732, ch. 22.

## C H A P. XXXIV.

An ACT for the punishment of blasphemy, profane swearing, cursing and drunkenness. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 188. Repealed by 1723, ch. 16.

## C H A P. XXXV.

An ACT for the making good and valid a certain indenture or deed of bargain and sale from William Lunn, late of Anne Arundel county, deceased, to Thomas Larkin, gentleman. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 194. A Private Act.

## C H A P. XXXVI.

An ACT laying an imposition on negroes, and on several sorts of liquors imported, and also on Irish servants, to prevent the importing too great a number of Irish papists into this province. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 197.