

**C. H. A. P. VIII.**  
 An ACT to supply certain defects in the conveying of lands from Henry Roberts to John Ford. *Passed 6th of June, 1719.*  
 Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 430. A Private Act.

**C. H. A. P. IX.**  
 An ACT to confirm to William Gray, of Calvert county, a small parcel of land, lying in the said county, sold by Robert Brooke to the said Gray, now in the possession of the said Gray. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 431. A Private Act.

**C. H. A. P. X.**  
 An ACT for the relief of Samuel Lisle, of Calvert county, of Christopher Bateman, Robert Gray, and John Budd, of Kent county, languishing prisoners. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 432. A Private Act.

**C. H. A. P. XI.**  
 An ACT reviving an act of assembly of this province, entitled, (a) An act for encouragement of tillage, and relief of poor debtors, and for supplying some defects therein. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 437.

(a) 1715, ch. 17, hereby continued three years, which, together with this act, expired in 1722.

**C. H. A. P. XII.**  
 A Supplementary act to the \* act for appointment of constables, and what relates to their office, and ascertaining what persons are taxables. Lib. LL. No. 4. fol. 438. \* 1715, ch. 15.

**BE IT ENACTED**, by the right honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the advice and consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the authority of the same, That in case any constable shall not pursue the directions of the act of assembly (now in force,) relating to his office, and of this act, in the taking and returning of taxables, such constable shall be fined to the right honourable the lord proprietor in the sum of five hundred pounds of tobacco for each offence, one half thereof to the informer, or him or them that shall sue for the same, and the other half thereof for the use of free-schools in such county where the forfeiture shall happen, to be recovered in such county court by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, wherein no essoin, protection or swager of law to be allowed.

Penalty on constables for not pursuing this act, &c.

**II. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That in case any master, mistress, dame, or other chief person of the family, shall conceal any taxable, or not give a true account thereof to such constable, pursuant to the directions of the act aforesaid, that then such person shall, for every taxable so concealed, or not given in as aforesaid, forfeit the sum of five hundred pounds of tobacco in manner aforesaid, to the uses aforesaid, to be recovered as aforesaid.

On masters, &c. not giving true account, &c.

**III. AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED**, That no person shall be taken as a taxable that shall not be imported into this province on or before the first day of June for that year.

Persons not taxable.

**IV. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, by the authority aforesaid, That all warrants issued by any justice of peace for the recovery of small debts, shall be directed to some constable of a hundred, appointed by the court, unless (at the request of such sutor,) it be directed to some friend who will serve it gratis, such sutor nevertheless being hereby made liable to pay the constable of the hundred where such warrant is served his just fee.

Constable to have his fee.

**V. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That the sheriff of each respective county is hereby obliged to return a true and fair copy of the list of taxables in his county, under his own hand, yearly, into the secretary's office, by the twentieth day of September, on pain of one thousand pounds of tobacco for every neglect, to be forfeited as aforesaid, to the uses aforesaid, to be recovered as aforesaid.

Lists to be returned.

**VI. AND**, the better to enable the sheriffs of the several counties to return copies of the list of taxables in each county as aforesaid, **BE IT ENACTED**, by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid, That the several constables of the several and respective hundreds, in the several counties, are hereby required to send a copy of their lists of taxables to the sheriff of their county, at or before the first day of August after the taking of such list.

To be sent to the sheriff.

**VII. AND**, whereas it is found by experience, that there are many single persons, (who are free men,) within this province, who have not any settled place of residence, but make their abode at such