

1744. MAY.

CHARLES LORD BALTIMORE.

C H A P.
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pounds sterling, and suffer six months imprisonment, without bail or mainprise, and shall also remain in prison, as in execution, until the said sum be satisfied, in case the offender be of sufficient ability to pay the same, and if the offender shall not be of sufficient ability, then and in every such case the offender shall remain and continue in prison for the space of one whole year, without bail or mainprise; (provided also, that the party grieved shall and may have and maintain his or her action of trespass, or other proper action at law, for recovery of damages against the offender, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for burn-
ing tobacco,
&c.

Duration.

Passed 4th of
June, 1744.

III. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any person or persons who shall, after the end of this session of assembly, wilfully burn any tobacco belonging to any other person, whether hanging or in bulk, or packed, or any tobacco-house or houses, having therein any tobacco hanging or in bulk, or packed, and be thereof convicted by due course of law, and every aider and abettor of such offender, shall suffer death as a felon, without benefit of clergy.

IV. This act to continue three years, and to the end of the next session of assembly, which shall happen after the end of the said three years.

Farther continued 1747, ch. 11, for three years, &c. but by 1751, ch. 7, is made perpetual.

C H A P. VI.

An ACT continuing (a) An act to prevent the injuring of harbours within this province, and for repealing the act therein mentioned. Lib. BLC. fol. 287.

(a) 1735, ch. 16, hereby continued three years, &c.

C H A P. VII.

An ACT for reviving and continuing an act of assembly of this province, entitled, (b) An act for ascertaining the gauge and tare of tobacco hogheads, and to prevent cutting, cropping and defacing tobacco taken on board ships or vessels upon freight. Lib. BLC. fol. 287.

(b) 1736, ch. 9, hereby continued three years, &c.

C H A P. VIII.

An ACT to enable Richard Dorsey, of Anne Arundel county, gentleman, to sell and dispose of forty-nine acres of land, part of the estate of Mary Woodward and Elizabeth Woodward, infants. Lib. BLC. fol. 288. A Private Act.

C H A P. IX.

An ACT continuing an act, entitled, (c) A supplementary act to an act, entitled, An act laying an imposition on negroes, and 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. BLC. fol. 289.

(c) 1735, ch. 6, hereby continued three years, &c.

C H A P. X.

An ACT for the naturalization of James Richard, of Baltimore county. Lib. BLC. fol. 290. A Private Act.

C H A P. XI.

An ACT empowering the justices of Prince-George's county to levy on the taxable inhabitants of Queen-Anne parish, in the said county, the sum of two hundred pounds current money, for the uses therein mentioned. Lib. BLC. fol. 290.

C H A P. XII.

An ACT empowering the justices of Prince-George's county to levy on the taxable inhabitants of King-George parish, in the said county, the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds current money, for the uses therein mentioned. Lib. BLC. fol. 291.

C H A P. XIII.

42, ch. 13. A Supplementary act to an act, entitled, * An act for laying out and erecting a town on the south side of the eastern branch of Patowmack river, in Prince-George's county, near a place called The Garrison Landing. Lib. BLC. fol. 291.

N. B. By this act, 1. On petition of sundry inhabitants of Prince-George's county, two years from the end of this session is granted to any persons, their heirs or assigns, who took up any lots in Bladensburg, more than was given by the original act, to complete their buildings. 2. The takers up of lots, their heirs or assigns, on building one good and substantial warehouse, which shall cover 400 square feet of ground, shall be invested with an estate in fee-simple in such lot or lots, although the same hath no stone or brick chimneys. 3. After the 10th November, 1746, no person inhabiting the town aforesaid shall keep or make any fire or fires in any other than brick or stone chimneys, under penalty of forty shillings currency for each offence, to be recovered before a single magistrate as in the case of small debts, to be paid to the majority of the commissioners for the said town, one moiety for the