Act of Assembly passed in October, 1753.

made for the Payment of Tobacco in Specie, before the said Sixteenth Day of May, Seventeen Hundred and Forty Seven; but that such Bargain, Contract, or Agreement, shall be and remain in full Force and Effect; any Thing in this Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

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LXXIX. AND be it further Enacted, That all Bonds (with Power of Attorney to confess Judgment), taken for Money in lieu of Tobacco, between the Fisteenth Day of May, Seventeen Hundred and Forty Seven, and the First Day of December, Seventeen Hundred and Forty Eight, shall be and are hereby made void and of no Effect: And it shall not be lawful for any Justices of any Court within this Province, to render or give Judgment on such Bonds, by Virtue of such Power of Attorney; and no Clerk or Clerks of any Court or Courts, within this Province, shall issue or make out any Execution, upon such Judgment. And that during the Continuance of this Act, no Judgments shall be entered on any Judgment Bonds for Money, taken after the Fisteenth Day of May, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Seven, until the Court, Judge, or Justice, before whom a Judgment is or shall be offered to be entered up, be satisfied, that the Desendant or Desendants, is or are actually run away, nor even then, unless the Plaintiff or his Attorney in Fact, or one acquainted with the Transaction, makes Oath, that the Bond was not passed for a Tobacco Debt, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this, or the aforesaid other recited Act. LXXX. AND, whereas the excessive Quantity of Tobacco made, may,

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ment for Per- in some Measure, depreciate that Branch of Trade: In order therefore to for the necessary Cloathing and Use of his Majesty's Subjects within this Province, and to divert Part of the People from labouring in Tobacco; Be it Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That from and after the end of this Session of Assembly, it shall and may be lawful for any Person or Persons, not making Tobacco by themselves, Servants or Slaves, within this Province, to pay, at or before the Tenth Day of April yearly, or as the Business, or Services, they may want in any of the Offices, shall be done, during the Continuance of this Act, as well the Poll Tax due to the Taxes & Fees, Clergy, as all Lawyers, and Officers Fees, and Assessments for building, or repairing Churches, in the Current Money of this Province, rating Tobacco at Twelve Shillings and Six Pence per Hundred, and so in Proportion for a greater or lesser Quantity; and that such Payment, or Tender thereof, and Refusal, shall be a full Satisfaction and Discharge for the same, though charged in Tobacco; any Law, Statute, Ulage, or Custom, or any Thing contained in this Act to the contrary thereof in any wife notwithstanding.

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LXXXI. PROVIDED always, That every Person or Persons allowed by this Act to pay Money instead of Tobacco due as aforesaid, shall make Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker, That he did not, in the Year preceding, by himself, or by his Children, Servants, or Slaves, make any Tobacco for Sale.

Inhabitants of this Province not making

LXXXII. AND be it Enacted, That where any Person or Persons within this Province, shall have taxable Persons in different Counties, and doth Tobacco in it. not by himself, or themselves, Children, Servants, or Slaves, make Tobacco within this Province, That it shall and may be lawful for such Person or Persons, to make Oath, to that Purpose, before any Justice of the County where such Person or Persons shall reside, and a Certificate, or Certificates of such Oath, from the said Justice, shall be sufficient to any Sheriff, in a different County, to receive Money in lieu of Tobacco, from such Person or Persons, for such Taxables.

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LXXXIII. AND whereas many Persons, not making Tobacco, have make Tobac been, and may be, unable to pay the Poll-Tax due to the Clergy, and by the Tenth Lawyers, and Officers Fees, in the Current Money of this Province, by the