

VI. Provided always, That where the Begetter or Begetters of such Bastard Child or Children, is or are Resident or Residents within this Province, of Ability to maintain such Child or Children, and lawfully convicted of being the Begetter or Begetters of such Child or Children, it shall and may be lawful in all such Cases, for the several Justices of the Peace, to oblige such Father or Begetter, to support and maintain such Bastard Child or Children as heretofore they might have done; any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

C H A P. II.  
But the Father, if known, &c. shall maintain the Child.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN, THOMAS BACON.

C H A P. III.

An Act giving Encouragement to make Hemp within this Province. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 147. EXP. Passed 30<sup>th</sup> October 1727.

To continue in Force 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. IV.

An Act reviving and continuing an Act of Assembly, entitled, ' An Act for relieving the Inhabitants of this Province from some Aggrievances in the Prosecution of Suits at Law. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 148. EXP. Ditto.

<sup>b</sup> 1714, ch. 4, hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. V.

An Act reviving and continuing an Act of Assembly, entitled, ' An Act for the Advancement of Justice. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 149. EXP. Ditto.

<sup>c</sup> 1723, ch. 12, hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. VI.

An Act for reviving an Act, entitled, ' An Act for the Trial of all Matters of Fact in the several Counties where they have arisen, or shall arise; the Continuance of Causes in the Provincial Court, and Adjournment of that Court, with the ' Supplementary Act thereto; and to amend some Defects in the said Acts. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 149. EXP. Ditto.

<sup>d</sup> 1723, ch. 23.

<sup>e</sup> 1724, ch. 17, hereby continued 3 Years, &c.

C H A P. VII.

An Act concerning Tobacco. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 151. EXP. Ditto.  
To continue in Force for 3 Years from the End of this Session: Repealed in Part by 1728, ch. 10, and totally expired 30<sup>th</sup> October 1730.

C H A P. VIII.

An Act for the speedy and effectual Publication of the Laws of this Province; and for the Encouragement of William Parks of the City of Annapolis, Printer. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 154. EXP. Ditto.  
To continue in Force till the 21<sup>st</sup> March 1732; continued by 1733, ch. 1, for 7 Years; and expired in 1740. A Supplementary Act in 1737, ch. 13.

C H A P. IX.

An Act declaring the ' Bounds of Two Acres of Land heretofore granted to Great Choptank Parish, on which the Chapel in Vienna now stands. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 155. Ditto.

<sup>f</sup> Altered by 1730, ch. 2.

C H A P. X.

An Act empowering the Vestry-men and Church-wardens of St. Paul's Parish, in Baltimore County, to purchase one or more Acres of Land in the said Parish, and to build a Parish Church thereon; as also for raising a Fund to compleat and finish the same. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 156. Ditto.

N. B. Land having been Purchased in pursuance of this Act, but not Built upon, a new Act was made 1730, ch. 9, for building the Parish Church in Baltimore-Town.

C H A P. XI.

An Act for erecting a Court-house and Prison on the East Side of the Head of Port-Tobacco Creek, at a Place called Chandler-Town, in Charles County; and for making Sale of the old Court-house and Prison. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 158. Ditto.

N. B. By this Act, (1.) The Justices were empowered to make Choice of, and Purchase, three Acres of Land, by Agreement with the Owner, or Valuation of a Jury; which Land to be for the Use of the said County for ever; and thereon to build a Court-house and Prison. (2.) After building the said Court-house, Charles County Court to be held in such new Court-house, and not elsewhere; and all the Record Books, &c. belonging to the said County, to be removed there. (3.) The Justices empowered to make Sale of the old Court-house and Prison, with the Land thereto belonging, to the best Purchaser, and to convey an Estate thereof in Fee-simple to them, their Heirs and Assigns for ever, &c.