

hereafter be brought for the Maintenance of any such Right or pretended Right to any of the Lands within this Province, formerly possessed or occupied by the said *French* Inhabitants;

Be it enacted by his Excellency the Governor, Council and Assembly, and by the Authority of the same it is hereby enacted, That no Action shall be retained in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record in this Province, for the Recovery of any of the Lands, within the same, by Virtue of any former Right, Title, Claim, Interest, or Possession, of any of the former *French* Inhabitants, or by Virtue of any Right, Title, Claim, or Interest, holden under or derived from them, by Grant, Deed, Will, or in any other manner whatsoever.

And be it further enacted, That when any Action shall be brought for the Recovery of any Lands within this Province, and it shall appear upon Evidence, that the Grounds of such Action is founded upon any such Right, Title or Possession of the said *French* Inhabitants, or derived from them as aforesaid, that then this Act may be pleaded in Bar to all such Actions: And all His Majesty's Judges and Justices of the said Courts, are hereby required and enjoined, upon such Plea and Proof thereof, to dismiss such Action, and award Costs for the Defendants.



An Act for the Relief of the *Poor* in the Town of *Halifax*.

HEREAS there are, or hereafter may be, Persons residing within the Town of *Halifax*, who, notwithstanding their honest Endeavours for obtaining a Livelyhood, may by the Providence of God, thro' Sickness or otherwise, be rendered incapable of supporting themselves or Families, *Be it therefore enacted by His Excellency the Governor, Council, and Assembly, and by the Authority of the same it is hereby enacted,* That a Sum not exceeding *One Hundred Pounds*, be paid out of the public Treasury of this Province, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of his Excellency the Governor, into the Hands of the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of *Halifax* for the Time being; to be by them applied within *One Year* from the Receipt thereof, towards the Relief and Assistance of such Persons as shall appear to them, upon strict Inquiry and Examination, to be proper Objects of such Charity.

And it is further enacted, That the said Overseers of the Poor are hereby authorized to open Subscriptions, and collect and distribute such

Sums as shall be subscribed by any well disposed Persons, for such charitable Uses. And the said Overseers shall, and are hereby obliged to keep a fair Account of the Receipts and Distributions of all Monies, which shall be paid into their Hands for such Purposes, and upon the Expiration of their said Office, lay the same before his Excellency the Governor, and His Majesty's Council for their Inspection, and what Ballance may remain in the Hands of the said Overseers at the Expiration of their Office, shall be by them paid into the Hands of their Successors.



An Act for allowing a *Drawback* of Part of the *Impost* Duties on *Wines, Beer, Rum* and other *distilled Spirituous Liquors*, on their being exported out of this Province.

HERE AS by an Act passed the last Session of the General Assembly, intituled An Act for establishing and regulating severall Duties of Impost on Wines, Beer, *W* Rum, and other Spirituous Liquors, no Provision was made for allowing a *Drawback* of any Part of the said Duties upon the Exportation thereof out of said Province.

Be it enacted by His Excellency the Governor, Council, and Assembly, and by the Authority of the same it is hereby enacted, That from and after the Publication hereof, Two Thirds of the *Impost* Duty which may have been paid, or secured to be paid on any *Wines, Beer, Rum*, or other *distilled Spirituous Liquors* imported into this Province, shall, upon the same being exported out of this Province within *Six Months* from the said Importation, be repaid to the Exporter thereof, by the Treasurer of the Province, out of the Money arising from the said *Impost* Duty, upon the said Exporter's producing a Certificate within *Six Months* after the Time of the Exportation, from the principal Officer of His Majesty's Customs, or commanding Officer for the Time being, of the Port to which the same shall be carried, of it's being there duly landed; together with a Certificate from the Collector of the *Impost* Duty, that the Duty thereon had been duly paid or secured before such Exportation.

And for the better preventing Frauds herein, the following Oath shall be taken by every such Exporter, at the Time of Exportation (which
Oath