

At a SESSION of ASSEMBLY, begun and held at the City of ANNAPOLIS, on Wednesday the Second Day of OCTOBER, in the Twenty-first Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable FREDERICK, absolute Lord and Proprietary of the Provinces of MARYLAND and AVALON, Lord Baron of BALTIMORE, &c. and ended the Thirtieth Day of NOVEMBER, Anno Domini 1771: The following LAWS were enacted.

ROBERT EDEN, Esq; GOVERNOR.

C H A P. I.

An ACT for vesting in such foreign Protestants as are now naturalized, or shall be hereafter naturalized in this Province, all the Rights and Privileges of natural born Subjects.

WHEREAS many foreign Protestants have already settled in this Province, and others, from the Unity of our Government, the Purity of our Religion, and the Benefit of our Laws, may be hereafter induced to settle therein, if they were made Partakers of the Advantages and Privileges which natural born Subjects enjoy;

II. Be it therefore enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, 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 Foreign Protestants naturalized in this Province, pursuant to Stat. Gv. II. shall be deemed natural born Subjects.

all such foreign Protestants who have been already naturalized in this Province, pursuant to the Directions of the Statute made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, entitled, "An Act for naturalizing such foreign Protestants, and others therein mentioned, as are settled or shall settle in any of his Majesty's Colonies in America," and all foreign Protestants who shall be hereafter naturalized in this Province, pursuant to the Directions of the said Statute, shall be deemed, adjudged, and taken to be natural born Subjects, to all Intents, Constructions and Purposes, as if they, and every of them, had been born within the Kingdoms of Great-Britain or Ireland, or within any other of his Majesty's Dominions, any Law to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

C H A P. II.

An ACT for the Adjournment and Continuance of the High Court of Appeals.

WHEREAS an Adjournment of the High Court of Appeals is at this Time necessary, Be it enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority