CHAPTER 107.

THE LAW ABOUT THE CUSTOME OF THE COUNTRY TO SERVANTS.

Be It enacted by the authority aforesaid That Every Servant brought into this province or Territories thereunto belonging without Indentures or Covenant for the time of his service, Every Such Servant under Sixteen years of age shall serve till they are 21 years old & all those above 16 years old shall serve five years of which age Each Respective County Court wherein they doe reside shall be their proper Judges and Every Master or Mistris shall be bound to bring such servant within three months time before the Said Court to be a Judged as aforesaid & shall then & there oblige themselves to pay to Every servant at the Expiration of their time according to the Custom of the Country which Custome shall allways be accounted two Sutes of apparel whereof one to be new, ten Bushells of wheat or fourteen bushells of Indian Corn, one ax, two hows, one broad & the other narrow and a Discharge from their service.

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693-1700, f. 37. H.S.P., Cadwalader Collection. Act of May 31, 1693, chapter 22. Presented to Her Majesty for consideration, August 1-3, 1694. Disapproved August 9, 1694. See Vol. II St.L. 54, ch. XLIX.

CHAPTER 108.

THE LAW ABOUT RECORDING DEEDS &C.

Be it Enacted by the authority aforesaid that Such writeings tho they were never Recorded nor Enrolled according to Law, Yet they are hearby Indemnified & are Declared as good & authentick, as if they had been Duely Entered & Enroled, and it is the true meaning of this act that no Deeds or other writeings shall be required to be Recorded but that such Deeds & writeings as shall be Enrouled or Registered in the Rouls office & the Exemplification of the Records of the lands in all Courts of Judiecuture shall be allowed & Judged as valled as the

originall to prevent any Damage or inconveniency that may arise for not Recording of Deeds Gifts Grants & Charters Enjoyed by the Late Laws of this Government. inconveniency that may arise for not Recording of Deeds Gifts Grants & Charters Enjoyed by the Late Laws of this Government.

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693 to 1700, f. 39. H.S.P., Cadwalader Collection. Act of May 31, 1693, chapter 23. See Vol. II St.L.21, ch. XXIV.

CHAPTER 109.

THE LAW AGAINST CUTTING TIMBER TREES.

Be It Enacted by the authority aforesaid That if any person within this province & Territories thereof shall at any time after publication hereof presume to Cutt or fell any timber trees upon the Land of any other person without Leave such person shall Forfeit to the owner thereof Fourty Shillings for Every such tree as aforesaid.

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693-1700, f. 39. H.S.P., Cadwalader Collection. Act of May 31, 1693, chapter 24. See Vol. II, St.L 98, ch. LXXXI.

CHAPTER 110.

THE LAW ABOUT EDUCATION OF YOUTH.

And to the End that the poor as well as the Rich may be Instructed in Good & Commendable Learning which is to be preferred before wealth.

Be it Enacted by the authority aforesaid That all persons in this province & territories thereof haveing Children, and all Guardians & trustees of orphans (haveing Sufficient Estates and abillity so to Doe) Shall be Instructed in Reading & writing soe that they may be able at Least to read the Scriptures & write by that time they attain to twelve yeares of age, & that they be taught some usefull trade & skill that the poor may work to Live, & the rich if they become poor may not want,