C A P. VIII.

AN ACT appointing the recording of all DEEDS OF SALE, CONVEY-ANCES and MORTGAGES.

OR the prevention of clandestine and uncertain Sales of Houses. Lands and Tenements, within this Island, and to the Intent that it may be the better known what Right or Title Persons really and truly have in or to such Estates as they may offer for Sale:

I. Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, That from and after the Publication hereof, all Deeds, Conveyances, or Mortgages of Houses, Lands and Tenements within this Island, shall be recorded at full length in the Register's Office within forty Days next after their respective Dates; if executed on this Island between the first Day of May and the first Day of November, and within eighty Days if there executed between the first Day of November and the first Day of May; and if executed in Great Britain, or Ireland, then the said original Deeds, Conveyances, or Mortgages, or duly attested Copies thereof, shall or may be recorded as aforesaid, within the Space of Two Years from their respective Dates.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Expiration of the said forty Days, eighty Days, or two Years, in the respective Events above mentioned of such Grants Deeds Conveyances, or Mortgages being executed on the Island, or in Great Britain, or Ireland, the same if not recorded as aforesaid, shall be of no Force or Effect in Law against any bona fide Purchaser who shall have complied with the Terms of this Act, or against any other Person or Persons whatsoever, except the Grantor or Grantees, and his or their Heirs.

Acts which amend or alter this Act 25th Geo. 3d, C. 1-41st Geo. 3d, C. 5-49th Gco. 3d. C. 4.

Preamble.

After Publication ali Deeds, &c. executed on this Island, between the first of May and first of November. to be recorded in the Register's Office within 40 Days after their respective Dates; and within 80 Days between the first of November and the first of May; if executed in Great Britain, or Ireland, within two Years from their Dates.

After expiration of the said 40 Days, 80-Days, or two Years, all Deeds, &c. if not recorded as above directed, shall be of no force against any bona fide Purchaser, who shall comply with this

CAP. IX.

AN ACT to enable CREDITORS to recover their just Debts out of the EFFECTS of their absent or absconding DEBTORS.

BE it enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person entitled to any Action for any Debts, Dues or Demands whatsoever against any Person absconding or being absent out of this Island, to cause the Goods and Estate of such absent or absconding Person to be attached, in whose Hands or Possession, or under whose Management soever the same are or may be found; and the attaching any Part therof, shall secure and make the whole, that is in such Person's Hands, or under his Management, liable in Law, to the Judgment to be recoverd upon such Process, and shall be subject to be taken in execution for satisfaction thereof, or subject to Execution. so far as the Value thereof may extend; and the Person in whose

Goods and Estate of absconding Debtors may be attached, and