

At a SESSION of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND, begun and held at the City of ANNAPOLIS on Monday the third of November, and ended the twenty-third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, the following LAWS were enacted:

JOHN EAGER HOWARD, Esq; Governor.

C H A P. I.

An ACT to enable the judges of the general court to continue certain causes therein mentioned, and to adjourn the county courts therein mentioned. Passed December 22.

WHEREAS several gentlemen having business in the said courts are obliged to attend the general assembly as members thereof, and sundry causes in the general court are ready for trial, and cannot by law be continued beyond the present October term; Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the judges of the general court may, in their discretion, continue all causes now depending in the general court of the western shore, to the second Tuesday of May next. Justices may continue causes, &c.

III. *And be it enacted,* That the court for Montgomery county to be held on the second Tuesday of November, shall be and is hereby adjourned to the second Tuesday of January next; and the court for Washington county to be held on the fourth Tuesday of November, shall be and is hereby adjourned to the fourth Tuesday of January next. Montgomery county court adjourned, &c.

C H A P. II.

An ACT for the adjournment of Harford county court. Passed December 22.

WHEREAS several gentlemen having business in the said court are obliged to attend the general assembly, Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the court for Harford county to be held on the fourth Tuesday in this present month of November, shall be and is hereby adjourned to the third Tuesday in March next; and that all causes, pleas and proceedings, civil and criminal, therein depending, be considered on the said third Tuesday in March next, as in the same plight and condition, in every respect, as they would be in on the said fourth Tuesday in November, if this act had not been passed. Harford county court adjourned, &c.

C H A P. III.

An ACT to prevent the going at large of swine, goats and geese, in Elkton, in Cæcil county. Passed December 22.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that sundry persons living in and near Elkton, in Cæcil county, raise and keep a great number of swine, goats and geese, and suffer them to go at large in said town, to the great detriment of the inhabitants thereof; Preamble.

II. *Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons, after the first day of April next, to seize and secure any swine, goats or geese, that may be found at large within the limits of the town aforesaid, and the same retain in his, her, or their possession, till the Persons may seize swine, &c.