

stand mute, or peremptorily challenge above Twenty, shall suffer Death, as a Felon or Felons, and be excluded the Benefit of Clergy.

PROVIDED ALWAYS, That when and as often as any Slave or Slaves shall be convicted for any Offence, contrary to this, or any other Law, and shall be actually executed; or who shall die, after Condemnation, and under Confinement, in order for Execution, that the Owner shall be paid the full Value of such Slave or Slaves; such Value to be adjudged by the Court, before whom the Fact shall be tried, at the Time of the Condemnation of such Slave or Slaves.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Treasurer or Treasurers of this Province, for the Time being, upon a Certificate from the Sheriff, of the Execution of any such Slave or Slaves, or the Death of such Slave or Slaves, after Conviction, and under Confinement, in Order for Execution, immediately shall pay the Owner or Owners of such Slave or Slaves, what such Slave shall be valued at, as aforesaid, out of the Publick Stock of this Province, in the Hands of such Treasurer or Treasurers, without Fee or Reward.

THIS Act to continue Three Years, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the End of the said Three Years.

An ACT for docking the Entail of a Tract of Land, called, Wilson's Grove, in the County of Anne-Arundel, and vesting the same in Lewis Duvall, in Fee Simple; and for settling other Lands and Tenements to the same Uses.

WHEREAS, *William Jones*, late of *Anne-Arundel County*, deceased, was, in his Life-time, seised in Fee Simple of Two Hundred Acres of Land, called, *Wilson's Grove*, with the Appurtenances, lying and being in the County aforesaid, between the Heads of *South* and *Severn Rivers*; and to being thereof seised, did, by his Deed in Writing, bearing Date the Seventeenth Day of *August*, *Anno Domini*, Sixteen Hundred Eighty and Five, duly made, executed, and recorded, convey the same Land unto *John Duvall*, late of the same County, deceased, who inter-married with *Elizabeth*, the Daughter of the said *William Jones*, and to the Heirs of the Body of the said *Elizabeth*, by the said *John Duvall*, lawfully to be begotten, and for want of such Issue, then to the Use and Behoof of the Heirs of the Body of the said *Elizabeth*, lawfully to be begotten; and in Case of Default, or want of such Issue, then to the Use and Behoof of the right Heirs of the said *William Jones*, for ever. And whereas, the said *John Duvall* died Intestate, leaving Issue, Three Sons, and Four Daughters, *viz.* *Lewis*, *Samuel*, and *Alexander Duvall*; *Elizabeth*, now the Wife of *John Gattner*; *Sarah*, now the Wife of *Samuel Farmer*; *Comfort*, now the Wife of *William Griffith*; and *Rachel*, now the Wife of *William Waters*; whereby, the said Two Hundred Acres of Land vested in the said *Lewis Duvall*, as Son and Heir to the said *John Duvall*, deceased. And whereas, the said Two Hundred Acres of Land is now near all cut down, and the Buildings thereon old and decayed; and not more than about Thirty or Forty Acres of Woodland Ground belonging to the said Tract, and but a small Part of the Timber thereon, fit for Clapboards; whereby, the said *Lewis Duvall* has been obliged, for the Support

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