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Read and Assented to by the
House of Delegates
W Taylard Clk hD

September 26th 1704

Read and assented to by her
Majestys honourable Council
W Bladen Cl Concil.

Maryland October 3^d 1704

On behalf of her Majesty &c. I will this be a Law.

Jo. Seymour

p. 116 An Act for Limitation of Certain Actions for avoiding suites at Law.

Forasmuch as Nothing can be more Essential to the Peace and Tranquillity of this Province than the Quietting the Estates of the Inhabitants thereof and for the Effecting of which no better Measures can be taken than a Limitation of Time for the Comēncing such Accons as in the Severall and respective Courts within this Province are brought from the time of the Cause of such Accon accruing

Be it Enacted by the Queens most excellent Majesty by and with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Councill and Assembly of this Province and the Authority of the same that all Actions of Trespass Quare Clausum fregit All accons of Trespass Detinue such over or Replevin for taking away goods or Chattells All Accons of Account Contract Debt Book or upon the Case other than such Accounts as Concern the Trade of Merchandize between Merchant and Merchant their ffactors & servants which are not Residents within this Province All Actions of Debt for lending or Contract without Specialty all Actions of Debt for Arrearages of Rents all Accons of Assault Menaces Battery Wounding and Imprisonment or any of them shall be sued or brought by any person or persons within this province at any Time after the end of this present Generall Assembly shall be Comenced or sued within the time and Limitation hereafter expressd and not after (that is to say) The said Accons of Accounts And the said Accons for Debt Detinue and Replevin for Goods and Chattells and the said Accons for trespass Quare Clausum fregitt within three years ensuing the Cause of such Action and not after and the said Actions on the Case for words and accons of Trespass of Assault Battery wounding and Imprisonment or any of them within one year from the time of the Cause of such Accon accruing and not after.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid that if any person Intituled to any the Accon or Accons aforesaid