

and Several new Bridges are still wanting; and that it is the general Complaint of the Overseers of the Highways, that they are rendered incapable of Repairing the old, or Making new ones, being forwarned by the Owners of the adjacent Lands from cutting any Trees necessary for such Repairing or Making of Bridges, Bacon

II. Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That from and after the End of this present Session of Assembly, it shall and may be lawful for the several and respective Overseers of the Highways within this Province, and they are hereby empowered, as often as Need shall require, for repairing and making of Bridges over the Heads of Rivers, Creeks, Branches, Swamps, or other low and miry Places, to cut down, or cause to be cut down, any Tree or Trees, growing on any of the next adjacent Lands to such Bridges necessary to be made or repaired, and the same Trees to maul or cause to be mauled, and carried from off such adjacent Lands, and applied to the Making and necessary Repairs of such Bridges as aforesaid.

III. Provided always, That the Trees allowed to be cut down, in Manner and for the Use aforesaid, be not such as are fit to make Clapboards, or Cooper's Timber; nor for the Building or Repairing any Bridges that are built or maintained at a Public or County Charge.

An Act for explaining a Paragraph of the Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act directing the Manner of Electing and Summoning Delegates. Chap. XVIII

Whereas in the Supplementary Act to the Act directing the Manner of Electing and Summoning Delegates and Representatives to serve in succeeding Assemblies, it is Provided, That nothing in that Act should be construed to debar or hinder any of the People called, and generally reputed, Quakers, from their Votes in Election, they being otherwise duly qualified, some Questions have arose thereon, Whether Quakers are intended to be otherwise exempt thereby from all Questions concerning their Fidelity to the Government, than by allowing them the Liberty of taking their Affirmation to his Majesty's Government prescribed by Law, instead of the Oaths, as is now used in England: For declaring thereof,

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