

at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis, the Twenty sixth Day of April, Seventeen hundred thirty and seven, be, and is hereby Continued, and shall remain and be in full Force for and during the Term of Three Years next ensuing, and to the End of the next Session of Assembly which shall happen after the End of the said three Years.

Provided always, That where any Money shall be paid by virtue of any Act or Acts of this Province, for any Slave or Slaves who shall dye in Goal after Sentence, or shall be Executed, It is hereby Declared and Enacted, That such Payment shall be made for such Slave or Slaves who were actual Inhabitants within this Province, at the time of such Fact committed, and not otherwise.

An Act to prevent certain Evils and Inconveniencies attending the sale of strong Liquors, and running of Horse-Races, near the yearly Meetings of the People called Quakers, and to prevent the tumultuous Concourse of Negroes and other Slaves during the said Meetings.

Whereas the People called Quakers, have, by their Petition to this present General Assembly, set forth, and complained, that (notwithstanding the former Indulgence of the Legislature in restraining Booths and other Places for selling Liquor, from being set up or kept within Two Miles of their Meeting-House at West-River, and One Mile of their Meeting-House at Third-Haven Creek in Talbot County, which Favour they most gratefully acknowledge,) They, as well as those of other Persuasions who resort to their yearly Meetings, labour under and suffer many Inconveniencies from the great Concourse of idle and profligate white People, and great Crowds of Negroes that assemble together at the usual Times of their yearly Meetings held at their said Meeting Houses, drinking to Excess, and behaving in a riotous and turbulent Manner, at Booths, and other Places, where strong and spirituous Liquor can be had, at greater Distances than before-mentioned; and that they have for some Years last past been greatly incommoded and endangered in passing and repassing to and from their said Meeting House in Talbot County, by Multitudes of rude and disorderly People that gather together to run Horse Races on the Road between the said Meeting House at Third-Haven Creek, and a Place near thereto, called New-Market. For Prevention of which Evils for the future, they have prayed that it may be Enacted;

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, if any Person or Persons whatsoever shall set up or erect any Booth or other Conveniency for selling Liquor, or

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