

An Act to empower the Justices of Prince George's County Court to treat with Anne Darnall, Widow, for her Claim of Dower to the Land on which that County Court-House is built, and other Purposes therein mentioned. Liber B. L. C.

Whereas, Anne Darnall, Widow of Henry Darnall, Esq; Deceased, claims Right of Dower of and in the Land whereon is built the Court-House of said County in the Town of Marlborough: It is therefore prayed that it may be Enacted; No. 22
[Preamble.]

And be it 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 the Justices of Prince George's County Court for the Time being may, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to treat and agree with the said Anne Darnall, or any other Person or Persons whatsoever, upon the best Terms they can, for her or their Claim of Dower of, in, and to the Lot or Lots, Piece or Parcel of Ground, whereon the said Court-House of Prince George's County is built, and pay for the same: And the said Justices are hereby obliged and directed to take a Release or Releases thereof, from her the said Anne Darnall, or such other Person or Persons, of such her or their Claim of Dower, to the Justices of the said County for the Time being, and their Successors; and the same Release cause to be acknowledged before one Provincial Magistrate, and entered in the Records of the same Court. [Justices of
Prince
George's
County
to purchase
of Anne
Darnall her
Right of
Dower, &c.]
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And it is hereby further Declared and Enacted, That such Purchase, Payment, and Release, acknowledged and recorded as aforesaid, shall bar her the said Anne Darnall, and such other Person or Persons, of and from all Right, Title, Interest, Claim, and Demand, of Dower, of, in, and to the said Land and Premises; any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted, That the Justices of Prince George's County Court for the Time being shall be, and they are hereby empowered and directed, at the laying their County Levy in November Court next, to assess and levy the Sum or Sums of Money or Tobacco, which they shall agree with the said Anne Darnall, or such other Person or Persons, for her or their Claim of Dower aforesaid, upon the taxable Inhabitants of the said County; as also the Charges of drawing and recording such Release or Releases, as is herein before directed to be taken, together with the Sheriff's Salary for collecting the same. [Money for
the Land
whereon the
Court House
stands; to be
levied on the
Taxable
Inhabitants
of the said
County.]

And whereas the Prison of Prince George's County aforesaid hath lately been burnt down, so that the said County is now without any Place of Security for holding Persons committed to the Custody of the Sheriff: Be it therefore further Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Justices of the said County Court, [Tobacco
to be
levied for
rebuilding
the Prison.]