

the Taxable Inhabitants of the Said County at November Court Seventeen hundred and Sixty Six, a Sum of Tobacco, as with balance then remaining in the Hands of the Vestry of Saint Pauls Parish unappropriated which hath arisen on the late Vacancy of an Incumbent in that Parish will make one Hundred Thousand Pounds of Tobacco clear of five per Cent Commission for the Sheriffs collection, and at the Next November Court following the further Sum of Eighty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco clear of Commission as Aforesaid to and for the Use and Purpose of Building a Parish Church and enlarging the Chapple aforesaid. And it shall and may be Lawful for the said Vestry of Chester Parish so as aforesaid to be chosen and they are hereby directed and required to purchase two Acres of Land at or near the Cross Roads at the Place called I. U. as aforesaid in the Parish aforesaid for the Use of the Parish Church of the Parish aforesaid and to take a proper conveyance in Fee Simple thereof to and for the Use aforesaid and then to contract and agree with a proper Person or Persons for the erecting and Building finishing and compleating in every Respect (except the Pews or Seats) a good commodious Brick Church of such dimensions as they shall think Sufficient for the Parishioners, and not to cost more, including the Purchase of the two Acres of Land aforesaid, than the Sum of one hundred and Thirty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, and that the said Vestry shall also employ and contract with a proper Person or Persons to erect and finish good and proper pews in the said Church on the Credit of the Sale of the said Pews which when finished, the said Vestry are hereby Authorized and Required to Sell and dispose of to the Freeholders of the said Parish for such reasonable Price as will in the whole be Sufficient to pay for the erecting the said Pews

And Whereas the Inhabitants of Chester Town aforesaid and others of the County aforesaid have also Set forth in their Petition that Sundry Persons residing within the said Town and other Persons within the County aforesaid have heretofore at their own private expence purchased a Portion of Ground within the said Town Sufficient for the site of a Church and decent Burial ground and that they have at a considerable expence erected a commodious House thereon for the Publick Worship of Almighty God, which with some Addition to be made to the said House would make it a Sufficient Church for the new intended Parish and to which Persons in the Country might also resort, and which they were willing should be appropriated to the Public, saving to the private Proprietors their Pews in the said Church and Gallery, which they have designed and appropriated: And have prayed that the said Addition may be so made that if the Assembly should think proper to establish another place of Worship in the intended new Parish at the place called I. U. that the Incumbent for the time being shou'd be obliged alternately on Sundays to administer the Public Service in the said Town and

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[Vestry empowered to purchase Land to erect a Church, and to Contract for building it]

[The Church in Chester Town to be a Chapel of Ease]

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