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within the Angles aforeſaid, as may be diſcovered from one to the other. Which Poſts, when and as often as they ſhall decay, the Commiſſioners ſhall cauſe new Ones to be affixed in their Place, at the County Charge for ever. And the reſpective Surveyors return two Certificates of ſuch Survey, by them made as aforeſaid, with fair Plats of the ſame, one whereof to his Excellency the Governor and Council as aforeſaid, the other to be Recorded and kept in the County Court as aforeſaid; any Law, Statute, Cuſtom, or Uſage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Dorcheſter
County
Court-Houſe.

V. And be it Enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, by and with the Advice and Conſent aforeſaid, That the Lot whereon the Court-Houſe of Dorcheſter County now ſtands, together with the Tenements thereon, being formerly taken up and purchaſed as Town-Land, but the Records of theſe Lots taken up, being either embezzled, or caſually loſt, be and remain to the Uſe of the County for ever, as firmly and abſolutely as if the ſame had been actually Conveyed by the true Owner or Owners thereof; any Thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Examined and Compared with the Original Act, REVERDY GHISELIN,
THOMAS BACON.

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Paſſed 11th
June 1697.

An ACT directing and appointing to what Uſe the ſeveral Rooms in the State-Houſe, in the Town or Port of *Annapolis*, ſhall be applied to. *Lib. LL. N^o 2. fol. 153.*

Preamble.

WHEREAS this Province hath been at great Charge and Expences in the Building a State-Houſe, or Public Houſe of Judicature, at this Port of *Annapolis*, which is now almoſt finiſhed and compleated; and to the End that the ſaid Houſe and the ſeveral Rooms and Apartments therein, may in Time preſent and to come, be applied and appropriated to the Uſes and Purpoſes the ſame was deſigned for, and no other;

II. Be it Enacted by the King's moſt excellent Majeſty, by and with the Advice and Conſent of this preſent General Aſſembly, and the Authority of the ſame, That the ſaid State-Houſe, and the ſeveral Rooms and Apartments therein, for the Time preſent and to come, be, and is hereby appointed and appropriated to the Uſes and Purpoſes hereafter mentioned, and no other, *That is to ſay,*

The ſeveral
Rooms in the
State-Houſe.
how appro-
priated.

III. The Great Room below Stairs, for Courts and Aſſemblies to fit in: The Little Room below the Stairs, to be for a Magazine for every Thing but Powder to lie in: The two Rooms on the Right Hand above Stairs, for Jury and Committee Rooms: The two Rooms on the Left Hand, to be for Provincial and Land-Office Records to be kept: And the Fore-Porch to be for the Commiſſary's Office, and Records of Probat of Wills and Granting Administrations, &c. to be kept in: The two Rooms on the Right Hand, in the upper Lofts, One for the County Clerk to keep the County Court Records in, and the Other for *Annapolis* Town Clerk to keep his Papers in; and the other two Rooms on the Left Hand, One of them for keeping the Records of the Chancery Court, and the Other for keeping the Records of the Governor and Council in one Part of it, and another Part of the ſame Room, for lodging of all Bonds, Bills, Certificates, Cockets, and other Naval Papers, transmitted from the Collectors and Naval Officers of this Province: To which End and Purpoſe, all Naval Officers and Collectors, are by this Act, bound and obliged to return to the Governor and Council, once in the Year, *That is to ſay,* on the Tenth Day of *June* yearly, and in every Year, all Cockets, Bonds, Papers, and other Certificates lodged with them, or any of them, by any Perſons as aforeſaid, under Penalty of being proceeded againſt, and puniſhed, for ſuch their Contempt. The Room above the Back-Porch to be for the Clerk of the Houſe of Delegates, to keep the Journals and Pa-

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