

Ann-Arundel County,

The Town allotted to be laid out at *Herring-Creek*, to contain 50 Acres, and no more. C H A P. XVI.

The Town and Port of *Annapolis*, with the Town of *West-River*, (which said Town of *West-River* shall contain but 50 Acres) not being as yet laid out according to the Directions of the said recited Act, shall be laid out at the Places aforesaid, pursuant to those Directions, by the Time by this Act appointed.

50 Acres at a Place upon *Patuxent* River called *Pig-Point*. To be ERECTED into a Town. And also,

50 Acres more upon the North Branch of the said River, opposite to *2. Anne's Town*, in *Pr. George's County*. To be ERECTED into a Town.

Which said Towns and Ports shall be laid out, &c. according to the Discretion of the Commissioners in this Act, for that Purpose, named, with the same Powers as the former. (2.) Lots taken up in the Town and Port of *Annapolis*, since the making of the said recited Act, shall not give any Right to such Takers-up; but such Lots, so taken up, shall be free to be taken up again, &c. as if the same had never been taken up. (3.) The Town and Port of *Oxford*, in *Talbot County*, shall, on or before the 1st *September* next, be, by the Commissioners appointed in the original Act, surveyed and laid out according to the former Plat, and when so laid out, the Commissioners, according to their Discretion, shall leave out 24 from the 124 Acres therein contained by the first laying out, and the Lots remaining within the 100 Acres only, shall be adjudged the Town and Port of *Oxford*, although the same do not contain 100 Lots; to the End that the Lots already taken up and built upon, may not be altered or lessened. (4.) Any Person that hath taken, or shall take up, Lots within any Towns laid out by virtue of the said recited Act, and building one good House, containing 400 square Feet of Ground, besides Sheds, on every Lot, on or before the 1st *September* 1708, shall have, hold and enjoy, to him and his Heirs for ever, a good Estate of Inheritance in Fee-simple, of, in, and to the said Lots so built upon, with all Rights, &c. as if the same had been built upon within the Time appointed by the said recited Act. (5.) If any other Towns, by the said Act appointed (more than what is expressed in this Act) have not as yet been laid out accordingly, the Commissioners of the several Counties in that Act appointed, shall have the same Power and Authority to purchase, &c. the several Pieces of Land appointed for Towns as aforesaid, in as full and ample Manners as they had by virtue of the said Act; provided such Towns be laid out by the 1st Day of *September* 1707. (6.) All the Towns, Rivers, Creeks and Coves in *Talbot County*, and the Towns, Rivers, Creeks and Coves in *Great Choptank*, and *Little Choptank*, in *Dorchester County*, and *Kent-Island* in *Queen-Anne's County*, shall be deemed and taken to be Members of the Port of *Oxford*. (7.) All the Towns, Rivers, Creeks and Coves in *Cæcil*, *Kent*, and *Queen-Anne's County* (except *Kent-Island*) to be Members of the Port of *Chester-Town*, in *Chester River*. (8.) All the Towns, Rivers, Creeks and Coves in *Somerset County*, and the remaining Part of *Dorchester County*, to be Members of the Port of *Green-Hill*, in *Wicocomoco River*. (9.) All the Towns, on both Sides of *Patuxent* River, adjoining to, or near the River, with the Rivers, Creeks and Coves thereof, to be Members of Port *St. George*, at *Beckwith's Island*, on *Patuxent* River. (10.) All the Towns in *Baltimore* and *Ann-Arundel Counties*, with the Rivers, Creeks and Coves thereto belonging (saving on *Patuxent* River) to be Members of the Port of *Annapolis*. (11.) All the Towns in *Patowmack* River, with the Rivers, Creeks and Coves thereto belonging, to be Members of the Port of *St. Mary's*, in *Patowmack* River. (12.) All Commanders of Ships or Vessels, after their Arrival in this Province, shall enter their Ships with the Naval Officers and Collectors of the several Districts where they design to ride and unload, and not with the Officers of another District. (13.) The several County Surveyors, employed to lay out and divide any Town Lands, shall deliver to the Commissioners of the respective Towns, a fair Plat of each Town, with the Course and Distance, and Quantity of Land contained in every particular Lot, Street, Lane and Alley, fairly drawn upon Parchment, to be kept as a Record for the Bounds of such Towns. (14.) Persons taking up Lots in any Port or Town of this Province, and having Right to dispose thereof, if they shall sell or dispose of the same, or any Part thereof, such Sale shall be entered in the Town Register, by the Town Clerk, who shall make Certificate of such Sale expressing the Consideration, with the Metes and Bounds, from whom and to whom, which Certificate being delivered by the Vendee, to the Clerk of the County-Court, shall be by him recorded; and such Entry, Certificate, and Record thereof in the County-Court, shall give to such Vendee, his Heirs, &c. a good Estate, according to the Tenor of such Certificate of Bargain and Sale, and bar the Vendor, &c. in as full and ample Manner as if such Bargain and Sale had been made by Deed Indented, Acknowledged and Recorded, &c.

C H A P. XVII.

An Act for Relief of Debtors, and ascertaining the Manner of Tenders in Tobacco. Lib. LL. N° 3. fol. 322. EXP. Passed 15th April 1707.

To continue for 3 Years. Revived 1710, ch. 15. A new Law made 1713, ch. 3.

C H A P. XVIII.

An Act for the Killing of Wolves and Crows. Lib. LL. N° 3. fol. 326. EXP. Ditto.

To continue for 3 Years. Revived 1710, ch. 14. A new Law made 1713, ch. 13.

C H A P. XIX.

An Act revising a certain Act of Assembly of this Province, entitled, An Act prohibiting the Importation of Bread, Beer, Flour, Wheat, or other English or Indian Grain, or Meal, Horses, Mares, Colts or Fillies from Pennsylvania, and the Territories thereto belonging; made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the Port of Annapolis, the Fifth Day of September 1704. Lib. LL. N° 3. fol. 328. EXP. Ditto.

To continue 3 Years, &c. The original Act of 1704, ch. 43, was repealed 1715, ch. 49; and 1719, ch. 16.