

C H A P. I. by appointed Commissioners, to cause Three Thousand Acres of Land to be laid out where the said *Indians* are now settled, in *Somerset County*, on *Broad-Creek*, in *Nanticoke River*, and the same to appoint to the Use of the said *Indians*, for so long as they shall occupy the same. And further, to cause such Land to be valued in such Manner as is herein after expressed; *That is to say*, The said Commissioners, or any Three of them, shall, some Time before the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* next, meet together, and make out their Warrant to the Sheriff of *Somerset County*, which said Sheriff is hereby required, upon Receipt of such Warrant, to impanel and return a Jury of the most substantial Free-holders of the said County, to be and appear before the said Commissioners, upon the said Land, at the Time in such Warrant appointed; which Jury, upon their Oaths, to be to them administered by the said Commissioners, or any Three of them, shall inquire, assess, and return what Damages and Recompence they shall think fit to be awarded to the Owners of such Land, and all Persons interested therein, according to their several and respective Interests: And what Sum of Tobacco the said Jury shall adjudge the said Land to be worth, shall be paid to the Owners, and all Persons interested therein, by the Public of this Province.

3000 Acres of Land to be laid out on *Broad Creek*, to the Use of the *Nanticoke Indians*.

The Lands how to be valued,

and that Value to be paid to the Owners by the Public.

III. And to the End that the Bounds of the said Land may be ascertained, and the Commissioners aforesaid, and Jury, the better enabled to judge of the true Value thereof, the said Commissioners are hereby empowered to employ the Surveyor of the County aforesaid, or some other skilful Person, in their Presence, to survey, lay out, and bound the same; which said Lines, so as aforesaid laid out, shall be marked on Trees, or other Land-Marks, to perpetuate the Bounds thereof: The said Commissioners to return fair Certificates of their Proceedings to the Clerks of the Provincial Court, and *Somerset County Court*, for the Time being, to be by them Recorded in the said respective Courts.

The Lands to be surveyed, &c. and the Lines thereof marked on Trees, &c.

IV. And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That when such Land is laid out and paid for by the Public as aforesaid, the Property thereof shall, by virtue of this Act, be vested in the Honourable Colonel *Thomas Ennalls*, and Lieut. Col. *George Gale*, and their Heirs, to and for the Use of the said *Indians*, so long as they shall occupy the same; and afterwards shall be disposed of as the General Assembly of this Province shall direct.

To remain to the Use of the *Indians*, so long as they shall occupy the same.

V. And that such Laying out, and Payment as aforesaid, and this Act, shall for ever bar the Heir or Heirs at Law, or his or their Assigns, or any other Persons whatsoever, of the Reversion or Remainder, Right, Claim, or Demand whatsoever, of, in, or to the said Land, or any Part or Parcel thereof; any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Such Laying out, and Payment, to be a perpetual Bar to all Claims.

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

C H A P. II.

Passed 3d Nov. 1711. An Act empowering *Thomas Edmondson* of *Talbot County*, surviving Executor of his Father *John Edmondson*, to sell and dispose of the Lands by the said *John Edmondson* left for the Payment of his Debts. Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 3. PR.

C H A P. III.

Ditto. An Act to reform the ill Practices of High Sheriffs within this Province. Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 4. EXP.

To endure for 3 Years. A new Law made 1713, ch. 6.

C H A P. IV.

Ditto. An Act reviving and continuing an Act of Assembly of this Province, entitled, * An Act for the Ordering and Regulating the Militia of this Province, for the better Security and Defence thereof; and for supplying some Defects therein. Lib. LL. N^o 4. fol. 6. EXP.

* 1704, ch. 87, hereby continued to the End of the first Session of Assembly after the Arrival of a Governor.