

C H A P.  
XII.

Act mentioned. (3.) The Surveyor to return a Plat of the Town to the County Clerk, to be by him kept among the County Records. (4.) In case the Taker-up of any Lot or Lots, neglect to build thereon within 18 Months, a House that shall cover 400 Square Feet, then may any other Person enter upon such Lot or Lots so not built upon, paying the Commissioners, or Person by them thereunto appointed, the Sum first set and assessed upon such Lot, for the public Use and Benefit of the Town: Provided such second Taker-up do build and finish, within 18 Months after such his Entry made, such House as in this Act is before limited and appointed to be built by the first Taker-up; which House so built, shall give as good Estate to such second Taker-up, as is by this Act settled upon the first Taker-up and Builder. (5.) If any Lots remain untaken-up during Seven Years from the Publication of this Act, then shall the Owner of the Land (after such Time expired) be possessed and interested in such Lots, as in his first and former Estate. (6.) The Town to be called *Baltimore-Town*. (7.) The Commissioners to employ a sufficient Clerk, to make true and impartial Entries of their Proceedings, upon Oath; which Entries shall be made up into a well bound Book, and lodged with the Clerk of *Baltimore County Court*, for the Inspection of any Person. (8.) Saving to the Crown, the Lord Proprietor, all Bodies Politic and Corporate, and all others not mentioned in this Act, their several Rights.

C H A P. XIII.

Passed 8<sup>th</sup>  
August 1729.

*An Act for the Assessment of Ten per Poll, on the taxable Persons in St. Paul's Parish, in Queen-Anne's and Talbot Counties, the next Levy, and Ten per Poll, the ensuing; also for the assessing Ten per Poll yearly on the taxable Persons in St. Luke's Parish, in Queen-Anne's County, until they shall have raised sufficient to compleat a Church in the said Parish. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 278.*

C H A P. XIV.

Ditto.

*An Act concerning the Parishes in St. Mary's and Charles Counties. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 279. DISSENT.*

Proclamation issued for Publication of the Dissent the 7<sup>th</sup> May 1730. Recorded *Lib. P. L. N<sup>o</sup> 6. fol. 381.*

C H A P. XV.

Ditto.

*An ACT to encourage the Importation of Gold and Silver into this Province. Lib. L. N<sup>o</sup> 5. fol. 282.*

Preamble.

Import or Export Duties (those payable to his Lordship, or the Governor, or College of *Virginia* excepted) may be discharged in Silver or Gold at the Rates mentioned in the Act of 1708, *ch. 4.*

with the Difference of 133*s.* 6*s.* 8*d.* such Currency for every 100*l.* Sterling.

15 per Cent to be allowed.

**W**HEREAS the Effects of the Scarcity of Gold and Silver in this Province, are very sensibly felt by the Inhabitants thereof; in order therefore to give a suitable Encouragement to any Person who shall import into this Province, any Quantity of Gold or Silver, **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 if any Person or Persons, who shall be liable to the Payment of any Duties or Impositions, for any Goods or Commodities whatsoever, hereafter to be imported into this Province by Land or Water, or exported out of this Province by Land or Water, by virtue of any Act of Assembly made or to be made, (except such Rates and Duties as are due and payable to the Lord Proprietary, or to the Governor of this Province, or appropriated to the College of *Virginia*) shall pay and discharge the same Duties and Impositions for any Goods to be imported as aforesaid, at the Time of Entering the same, and for any Goods or Commodities to be Exported, at the Time of Clearing, in Silver or Gold Current Money, at the Rates mentioned in an Act, entitled, *An Act for settling the Rates of Foreign Silver Coins within this Province*, and with the Difference of One Hundred Thirty Three Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence Current Money, in Gold and Silver, for every One Hundred Pounds Sterling, payable for the aforesaid Duties (except as before excepted) and so in Proportion for a greater or lesser Sum: The several Officer or Officers appointed to receive such Rates, Duties and Impositions, are hereby required and directed to allow to the Person or Persons making such Payment, the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Current Money out of every One Hundred Pounds Current Money, and Fifteen Pounds Sterling out of every One Hundred Pounds Sterling, and so in Proportion for a greater or lesser Sum, which such Person or Persons shall pay in Gold or Silver as aforesaid, and the Officer or Officers making such Allowance, shall be accountable for no more than he shall receive after such Allowance made as aforesaid.

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