Ground, for building a Court-house, Market-house, and other public Edifi- CHAP. ces on, as they, or the major Part of them shall think proper, which Lot or Lots, is, and are hereby declared at all Times hereafter, to belong to the Public for the Uses aforesaid, and to no other Use or Purpose whatsoever.

XVIII. And whereas, the present Incumbent of the Parish wherein the By Consent faid Town and Common is to be laid out, has fignified his Willingness and of the present Consent to exempt all Persons actually liming and redding the present. Consent to exempt all Persons actually living and residing within the Bounds of the faid Town-Land, from the Payment of the Forty per Poll, and as such Privilege or Exemption may greatly encourage Persons of all Professions, Religions, Perswasions, Trades, or Occupations whatsoever, to build and fettle in the said Town, and much conduce to the better Peopling and Seating the adjacent Lands, now uncultivated in the said Parish, to the equal Benesit to the Incumbents thereof,

XIX. Be it therefore Enasted, by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Residents in Advice and Consent aforesaid, That all and every Person and Persons whatsoever, the Town are actually residing or dwelling in the said Town, their Servants and Slaves like-Payment of wise actually residing there, shall, during such his, her, or their Residence, all Parochial be exempted and discharged from the Forty per Poll granted to the Episcopal Dues. Clergy of this Province, and all other Parochial Taxes, Charges, and Dues

XX. And be it further Enacted, That the Inhabitants of the same Town, One Year's after one Year's Residence therein, shall, and are hereby declared and adjudg-Residence in the Residents of this Province, and shall have and enjoy all the Dights. ed to be Residents of this Province, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, shall give all Privileges, Immunities, and Exemptions of Residents, by virtue of any of the the Rights, Acts of Assembly of this Province, or otherwise; any Law, Statute, or U- Go. or a ke fage to the contrary notwithstanding.

XXI. And he it further Enacted, That when and as often as any of the Succession of Commissioners aforesaid shall die, remove from the County aforesaid, or resuse the Commissioners proor neglect to join in the Execution of this Act, then, and in any such Case, vided for. the major Part of the other Commissioners aforesaid, shall choose others in the Place of such who shall die, refuse, remove or neglect as aforesaid, and such Person or Persons so chosen, shall have equal Power to act as the other Commissioners herein mentioned, and that the Power and Authority of the said Commissioners shall continue, until all Things by them directed by this Act to be done, shall be compleated and finished; and that all Monies herein be-Application fore directed to be paid to them by the Clerk aforesaid, shall be applied to the of Money Building or Repairing of Public Buildings, Wharfs, or other Public Uses of Paid to them. the said Town, as the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them shall

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

H A P. XXIV.

An Act to enable his Excellency Thomas Bladen, Esq; or the Governor for the Passed 29th Time being, to purchase Four Acres of Land within the Fence of the City of October 1742. Annapolis, for the Use of the Public; and to build thereon a Dwelling-house, and other Conveniencies, for the Residence of the Governor of Maryland, for the Time being; and to repeal Part of other Acts therein mentioned. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 277.

H A Р. XXV. An Act for the Assessment and Payment of the Public Charge of this Province. Lib. B.L.C. fol. 279.