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VIII. And he it enafted, That the justices of Caroline county shall be, and they are hereby authorised and required, to assess and levy, with the public and county levy, by three equal affefiments, the next year and the two fucceeding years, the quantity of two hundred thousand pounds of tobacco, together with the sheriff's falary of five per centum for collection; which faid tobacco, so to be affested and levied, shall be collected by the sheriff of Caroline county, from the taxable inhabitants of the faid county, in the same manner as other public and county levies are by law collected; which faid tobacco, when collected, shall be paid by the faid sheriff to the commissioners aforesaid, and applied by them towards building the court-house and prison aforesaid for the said county.

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IX. And, whereas the aforesaid quantity of seventy thousand pounds of tobacco, to be refunded as aforesaid, and applied as aforesaid, was levied and affested upon the taxable inhabitants only of that part of Dorchester county now included in Caroline county: And whereas justice requires that the taxable inhabitants of that part of Queen-Anne's county, now included in Caroline county, should be taxed proportionably, Be it enacted, That the justices of Caroline county shall be, and they are hereby authorised and empowered, to order and direct the constables of the feveral hundreds in that part of Queen-Anne's county, now included in Caroline county, to make out a lift of the taxable inhabitants of the faid part of Caroline county, and to return the same to their next levy court; and to order the constables of the several hundreds in that part of Dorchester county now included in Caroline county, to make out a list of the taxable inhabitants in that part of Caroline county, and to return the same at their said court; and, from the said lists, the faid justices are hereby empowered and required, to fix and ascertain what quantity or proportion of tobacco the taxable inhabitants of that part of Queen-Anne's county, now included in Caroline county, ought to be taxed, to make up an equal contribution with the taxable inhabitants of that part of Dorchester county, now included in Caroline county; and which faid quantity of tobacco the faid justices shall be, and they are hereby empowered, to levy and affest, by three equal affestments, with their public and county levy, the next year and the two years fueceeding, on the taxable inhabitants of that part of Queen-Anne's county, now included in Caroline county, the faid quantity of tobacco, ascertained as aforesaid, to be an equal proportion, as aforesaid, together with five per cent. to the sheriff for collection; which faid quantity of tobacco, fo affeffed and levied, shall be collected by the sheriff of Caroline county, of the taxable inhabitants of the said part of Caroline county, in the same manner as other public and county levies are by law collected; and the faid tobacco, when collected, shall be paid by the faid sheriff to the commissioners aforesaid, and applied by them towards building the court-house and prison in the county aforesaid.

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X. And he it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid, or the major part of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorised and required, to contract and agree for the building of the said court-house and prison; which said court-house and prison shall be built and erected on the land to be purchased as aforesaid; and the faid place, after the commencement of this act, shall be called Eden-town.

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XI. And be it enacted, That all causes, pleas, process and pleadings, which now are or shall be depending in Dorchester and Queen-Anne's county courts, before the Monday after the fecond Tuesday in March, shall and may be prosecuted as effectually as they might have been had this act never been made.

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XII. And he it enamed, That the justices of Dorchester and Queen-Anne's counties shall be, and they are hereby respectively empowered, upon application, to Annels to iffue iffue executions, or other legal process, upon all judgments had and obtained, or to executions abe had and obtained, in Dorchester or Queen-Anne's county courts, against any ingainst inhaot- habitant of Caroline county, and to enforce the same; which said writs shall be di-Ine county, rected to the sheriff of Caroline county, and the said sheriff is hereby authorised and directed to serve and return the same to Dorchester and Queen-Anne's county courts respectively, with the body or bodies of the person or persons, if taken, against whom such writ or writs shall issue for that purpose; and during the attendance of the