

II *Be it therefore enacted, by the right honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the advice and consent of his Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the authority of the same, That after the Monday after the second Tuesday in March next such parts of the aforesaid two counties of Dorchester and Queen Anne's as are contained within the bounds and limits following, to wit: Beginning at a point on the north side of the mouth of Hunting creek, in Dorchester county, and from thence running up and with the said creek to the main road at James Murray's mill, thence with that road by Saint-Mary's White Chapel parish church to the north-west fork bridge, thence with the main road (that leads to Cannon's ferry) to Nanticoke river, thence with the said river to and with the exterior limits of the aforesaid county of Dorchester to the exterior limits of Queen Anne's county thence with the limits of Queen Anne's county to intersect the main road that leads from the Beaver-dam causeway to Dovertown, in Kent county, upon Delaware, thence with the said road to the Long marsh, thence with the said marsh and stream of the branch of Tuckahoe creek to Tuckahoe bridge thence with the said creek to Great Choptank river, and with the said river to the first beginning at the mouth of Hunting creek, shall be and is hereby erected into a new county by the name of Caroline county."*

According to the boundaries laid down by this law that portion of Caroline County east of the Choptank River had always been in Dorchester County from the date of its settlement. On the other hand, the tract of land between the Choptank and Tuckahoe which was taken from Queen Anne's County, had formerly, in part at least, been a portion of Talbot County, although prior to 1706 when it was transferred from Talbot to Queen Anne's, few settlements had been made.

CAROLINE COUNTY ELECTION DISTRICTS.

- 1798 Ch. 115. County divided into 3 election districts.
- 1799 Ch. 48. Confirms Acts of 1798 Ch. 115.
- 1799 Ch. 50. Commission appointed to divide county into 3 election districts.
- 1805 Ch. 97. Polling place of 3d election district at "The Walnut Trees."
- 1816 Ch. 11. Polling place of 3d election district changed to "Upper Hunting Creek where the elections were formerly held in said district."
- 1825 Ch. 47. Line between 1st and 2d election districts changed to run as follows:
 - "Beginning on the east side of Choptank river, at the mouth of Frampton's mill branch, thence running up said branch, and binding therewith, until it comes to a notable place on said branch, commonly called and known by the name of Rackoon Trapp, thence by a straight line to a methodist meeting house commonly called Lee's meeting