

Authority be Enabled and adjudge to all intents and Purposes able to demand Challenge
 and have hold and enjoy any Lands Tenements Ports or Hereditaments within this
 Province as heirs or heirs to any of their Ancestors by Reason of any descent
 in fee Simple fee Tayls General or Special or Remainder vpon any fee
 Tayls general or Special or come to them or any of them by descent in fee Simple
 fee Tayls General or Special or Remainder vpon any Estate Tayls as aforesaid
 or by any other Lawfull Conduyances or Conduyances or means whatsoever as if
 they and each of them had been borne within this Province or were of British
 or Irish descent as aforesaid and also that they and each of them from hence
 forth may and shall be enabled to prosecute maintain and avow Justified &
 defend all manner of actions Suits plaints or other demands whatsoever
 as liberally frankly freely fully Lawfully and Securedly as if they & each
 of them had been Naturally borne within this Province of Maryland or
 were of British or Irish descent aforesaid and as any other person or persons
 Naturally borne within this Province or of British or Irish descent may any
 waies Lawfully doe any Lawfull Priviledge act or Customs of this Province or other
 thing whatsoever had made ordained or done within this Province to the contrary
 thereof in any wise Notwithstanding -

An Act for the building of a Statthouse and
 Prison at St. Maries -

Both and there may be a decent and convenient place for the administration of
 Justice and a prison Erected for the restraint of Malefactors & persons indebted
 the two houses of your Lordships Generall Assembly Doe pray that it may be Enacted
 that there be a Statthouse & a prison built at the City of St. Maries And Bee it
 Enacted by the Right Hon. the Lord Proprietary with the advice and Consent of the
 upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly and the Authority of
 the same That there be a Statthouse and Prison built at the City of St. Maries
 the said Statthouse and Prison to be built of Brick or Stone with lime & Sand
 and to be covered with Slate or tile laid in Mortar and to be of these dimensions
 (vizt) the said Statthouse to be two stories high and to continue in length forty
 five foot from outside to outside with a porch in front sixteen foot long
 and twelve foot broad in the clear on the Inside and a Staircase over against
 the porch on the other side sixteen foot square in the clear on the inside the
 first story of the said house porch and Stairs case to be twelve foot from the top
 of the floor which shall be paved with flat paving Stone or Brick to the
 lower side of the summer and the second story to be nine foot in the clear from
 the upper side of the board to the lower side of the summer the walls of the said
 house porch and Staircase to be built vpon a good sound and sound foundation
 of twenty eight inches thick from the bottom of the said foundation to the water
 table which shall be three foot clear above ground and made shewing of and
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