

such necessary for their Relief, the Delegates of this present General Assembly therefore pray it may be Enacted,

And Be it Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty and with the Advice and Consent of this present General Assembly and the Authority of the same, That the persons hereafter named may and are hereby appointed Trustees for and on behalf of our Sovereign Lord the King his Heirs or Successors for pious and charitable uses fifty Acres of Land adjoining to and in which the said Fountains shall be included.

And Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that Colonel John Courts, Thomas Brooks Esq. Capt. James Keetch, Capt. Jacob Moreland of St. Marys County, and Capt. Phillip Hoskins, Capt. John Bayne and Mr. Benjamin Hall of Charles County, or any three of them be and are hereby impowered, authorized and appointed Trustees as aforesaid, with sufficient power given them, whereby to enable them to treat with, buy and purchase in the name of our Sovereign Lord the King his Heirs or Successors for ever as aforesaid, to the uses aforesaid fifty Acres of Land or under consent as aforesaid, and least prejudicial to the Owners thereof.

And Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the said Trustees herein nominated are hereby impowered sometime before the tenth day of April next ensuing to meet together upon the aforesaid Land, and then and there treat with and agree with the Owners and all persons interested in the same, and buy and purchase of such Owners and persons interested in the same Lands fifty Acres thereof or under near adjoining to, and in which the said Fountains and Springs shall be included as aforesaid.

And Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that if the person or persons in whom the right or property of the said Land is, shall refuse to make sale thereof, or any other legal impediment shall disable him or them from making a good sure firm and inseizable Right and Title to the said fifty Acres of Land or under, then then the said Trustees before mentioned shall call to their assistance the High Sheriff of St. Marys County aforesaid, who is hereby authorized and impowered to Summon and Impanel sworn good and lawful Men Freeholders of St. Marys County aforesaid, who upon their oaths shall value the said fifty acres of land or under according as it shall be surveyed or lawfull, to which purpose the said Trustees are hereby authorized and impowered to call to their assistance the Kings Surveyor of St. Marys County aforesaid, who is hereby likewise authorized and impowered to lay out and lay out fifty Acres of Land or under as aforesaid, according to the direction of the Trustees before nominated.

And Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that for what Sum of Money or Tobacco the said Trustees shall agree to be paid for the purchase of the said fifty Acres of Land or under, shall by an equal assessment upon the Inhabitants of this Province be payed and paid to the owners or other persons by them appointed to receive the same, and that all and whatsoever the said Colonel John Courts, Thomas Brooks Esq. Capt. James Keetch, Capt. Jacob Moreland, Capt. Phillip Hoskins, Capt. John Bayne and Mr. Benjamin Hall Trustees as aforesaid, or any three of them shall execute and do in pursuance thereof shall and is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved of, and shall for ever hereafter be taken & deemed to be lawful and valid in Law, and that the said Trustees be and are hereby indemnified and saved by each of and from all manner of suits and Damages that may at any time hereafter arise, for or by means of any Act or Acts by them so to be done in and about the premises, any Law usage or custom to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

*L. 18. 16. 17*

*In All to entitle William Courtley and Elizabeth his Wife, or the Survivors of them to sell and acknowledge such Land as were left by Colonel Vincent Low to be sold for the payment of his just Debts.*