

of the said River at a place opposite to *Queen Ann's Town* in *Prince*
George's County shall be and is hereby allotted for and crected into a Town, which said Town
 and the land be laid out & divided into Lots according to the discretion of the Commissioners
 hereafter in this Act for that purpose appointed.

And to that End, Be it Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that *Mr. Samuel*
Young, *Mr. Charles Greenberry*, *Mr. Richard Jones*, *Mr. Joseph Hill*, *Mr. Seth Biggs*, *Mr.*
Josiah Twogood, *Mr. Samuel Chambers*, *Mr. John Lamb*, *Mr. William Nicholson*, *Mr. Anthony*
Smith, *Mr. Thomas Gassaway*, *Mr. John Battie*, *Mr. Henry Lazenby*, *Mr. James Saunders*
Junior & *Mr. Stephen Warman*, or any five or more of them shall be and are hereby appointed
 Commissioners for the laying out of the said Towns & Port and shall be and are by this Act
 authorized and impower'd to have the same power & authority as the Commissioners in the
 said recited Act ever had or ought to have; and forasmuch as many persons have taken up lots
 within the supposed bounds of the Town & Port of *Annapolis* (since the making of the said re-
 cited Act) notwithstanding the same was not laid out by the Commissioners according to the
 direction of the said recited Act, and by such their taking up have ingross'd the greatest part of
 the Lots within the same Town & Port into very few hands, to the great discouragement of se-
 veral Neighbours & others that would build & live therein.

Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent aforesaid, that if any person
 whatsoever hath taken up any Lot or Lots within the Town & Port of *Annapolis* since the time
 of the making of the said recited Act, such taking up shall not give any Right or Title to such
 taker up his heirs or assigns, but that such Lot or Lots so taken up shall be free to be taken up
 again by any persons that will take up and build upon the same according to the direction of
 this and the said recited Act in as full & ample manner to all intents & purposes as if the same
 had never been taken up.

And forasmuch as the Land allotted for the Town & Port of *Oxford* in *Talbot County* by the
 first laying out of the same Town did contain 124 Acres, but by the said recited Act made *An-*
no 1706 there is no more allotted for the same than 100 Acres of Land. Be it therefore En-
 Enacted that the Town & Port of *Oxford* shall on or before the first day of *September* next com-
 ing be by the Commissioners nominated & appointed in the said recited Act surveyed and laid
 out according to the former Platt, and when so laid out the Commissioners according to their
 discretion shall leave out 24 Acres of Land from the said 124 Acres, and the Lots remain-
 ing within the 100 Acres only shall be adjudg'd the Town & Port of *Oxford*, altho' the same
 do not contain 100 Acres Lots, to the end that the Lots already taken up and built upon may
 not be alter'd or lessen'd.

And forasmuch as divers of the Inhabitants of this Province who would build and settle in
 Towns, and to that end have taken up Lots in the Towns laid out by the Commissioners of
 the several Countys pursuant to the said recited Act, but for want of nails to build their houses
 with by the time in the said recited Act allotted for building thereof are apprehensive or fear-
 ful of losing their Lots already taken up as aforesaid and others kept from taking up Lots, for
 prevention whereof & encouraging the building & settling in the said Towns,

Be it Enacted that if any person or persons that already have or that hereafter shall take up a-
 ny Lot or Lots within any such Town or Towns laid out as aforesaid within this Province by
 vertue of the said recited Act, he she or they so taking up such Lot or Lots and erecting build-
 ing & finishing one good house that shall contain four hundred square Feet of ground besides
 Sheds upon every such Lot so taken up or to be taken up as aforesaid on or before the first day
 of *September* which shall be in the Year of our Lord 1708 shall by vertue of such taking up &
 building have hold & enjoy to him and his heirs for ever a good Estate of Inheritance in Fee
 Simple of in and to the said Lot so built upon as aforesaid with all rights & priviledges thereto
 belonging in as large and ample manner to all intents & purposes as if the same had been built
 upon within the time appointed by the said recited Act, any thing in the said Act to the con-
 trary notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that if any Town or
 Towns within this Province other or more than what is exprest in this Act and by the said re-
 cited Act appointed to be laid out for Towns by the time in the said recited Act mentioned
 have not as yet been laid out accordingly, that the several and respective persons appointed
 Commissioners in and by the said recited Act in the several & respective Countys of this Pro-
 vince shall have the same power & authority to purchase lay out and divide into Lots the sever-
 al pieces of Land appointed for Towns as aforesaid in as full and beneficial manner to all in-
 tents & purposes as they had by vertue of the said recited Act, provided such Towns be laid
 out by the first day of *September 1707*. And that all Tobacco & Merchandizes of the growth
 & production of this Province may be brought only to those Ports or Towns.

Be it Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that all Tobacco & other Mer-
 chandizes of the growth & production of this Province designed to be exported out of this Pro-
 vince by Land or Water (except Timber, Pipestaves, Billets & Wooden Ware) shall after the
 tenth day of *September* which shall be in the Year of our Lord 1708 for that end be brought