

Marriage Fee  
ascertained.

Man so Married shall be liable to the Fine of *Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco*, to be recovered as aforesaid, to the Use aforesaid, And for ascertaining to the Minister a Fee for Marriages in other Cases than the Act for Establishment of Religious Worship provides for,

And for Banns.  
This Act not to  
extend to  
Dissenters, &c.

*Be it Enacted* That in case any Persons Married by Licence, and that shall be married in the parish Church or Chappel of ease, or come to such Minister's House to be married, there shall be paid, as a Fee, by the Persons to be Married, for such Marriage, the Sum of *Ten Shillings*, and no more. And in case of Publication of Banns, the Persons to be married shall come to the Minister's dwelling House to be married, there shall be paid to the Minister, as a Fee for such Marriage, *One Hundred Pounds of Tobacco*, or *Six Shillings and Eight Pence* current Money, ready pay, and no more. And it is hereby declared, whenever any Fee is allowed for Marrying Persons whose Banns are published, such Fee shall be taken as a full Fee for the Publication of the Banns, as well as for the Solemnization of such Marriage.

*Provided*, That this Act, or any thing therein contained shall not extend or be construed to extend to any Persons of Perswasions in Religion different from that of the *Church of England*, but that all such Persons, and the Manner of their Proceedings in Marriage may entirely remain unaltered by this Act, and in the same Circumstance as if this Act had never been made, any thing therein before to the contrary notwithstanding

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At a Sessions of Assembly begun and held at the City of *Annapolis* the *22th* Day of *April*, *Anno Domini* Seventeen Hundred and Eighteen, were Enacted these Laws following, His Excellency *John Hart*, Esq; being Governour.

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An Act for ascertaining the Bounds of Land within this Province.

The Reasons of  
this Law.

**F**Orasmuch as at the first Settlement of this Province the *Heathen Indian* Enemies were so very Numerous and barbarous, that both the Persons desirous to purchase Land, and to settle and Inhabit the same, and also the Surveyors appointed by the Right Honourable the Lord proprietary to survey and lay out such Lands to the said Persons, were detained from making so strict a scrutiny into the true Situation of the several Rivers, Creeks and Branches of this Bay, so as to prevent the Interference of the Bounds limited and appointed by the said Surveyors, for each Tract, and from setting of the Courses or Measuring the true Distances of Lines directed to run to the several Trees or other Bounds there prescribed to limit and bound the said several Tracts of Land, and also the Surveyors themselves so appointed, were too often both very Ignorant and negligent in performing their Duty therein; And also forasmuch as the bounded Trees by them formerly bounded, for very many of the said former Surveyors, are dead, and so far lost and forgotten, that no remains or Memory are left of the same, and the other Boundaries, either of Bays, Rivers, Creeks or Branches, as also of Courses and Distances, so darkly and Unskillfully exprest, that many great