

4. The judges of the general court and the chancellor, shall have a right to commit, and any person by them committed shall be received into the said prison under the care of such officer as shall be by them respectively appointed.—*ibid.* § 5.

5. A public gaol to be built at Easton, to accommodate a gaoler, to be appointed by the sheriff of Talbot county within one month thereafter, who shall qualify himself to hold the same, by taking an oath or affirmation, before two justices of the peace for Talbot county, that he will well and faithfully keep all prisoners committed to the gaol of Talbot county, and in all respects truly and honestly demean himself in his office of keeper of the said gaol, without prejudice, affection, malice, hatred or partiality, so long as he shall continue in the said office; and also by entering into a recognizance before the said justices, with two securities in 300l. current money, conditioned, "That if the said A. B. do and shall well and faithfully execute and perform the office of keeper of the gaol of Talbot county, and find and provide wholesome and sufficient victuals for all and singular the prisoners who shall be committed to the said gaol, and keep the several apartments in the said gaol clean and free from all manner of filth, and not suffer or permit loose, idle, or disorderly persons, to frequent the said gaol, or remain about the same, and do and shall in all respects faithfully demean himself in the said office without favour, partiality or prejudice, then the said recognizance to be void and of no effect, otherwise to remain in force;" and the person so appointed and qualified shall remain in office during good behaviour removeable by the said sheriff, or by a presentment of Talbot county court.—1794, c. 67.

6. A supplement, appointing two trustees, who with the others are empowered to sell the old gaol, and apply the money arising therefrom towards building the new gaol, &c.—1797, c. 25.

## Q U A K E R S.

1. **I**N all cases where the people of this province are obliged to take the oaths to his majesty's government, the quakers shall likewise be obliged to take their affirmation instead of such oath. 1724, c. 18, § 2.

*The articles 2, 3 and 4 which came in here, are now obsolete; similar laws to what were contained therein, are comprised in articles 5, 6, 7 & 8, which follow.*

5. No person shall run or pace any races with horses, &c. for wagers, diversion, or other pretence whatsoever, within the distance of five miles from the meeting-house in Talbot county, or the meeting house on West-river in Anne-Arundel county, on the days on which the quakers yearly meetings shall be respectively held on penalty of 5l. currency on the owner who shall run or pace his horse, or knowingly suffer the same to be run for every such race; and the like penalty on every one who