

1695. MAY.

W I L L I A M AND M A R Y.

Passed 23d of  
May, 1695.

C H A P. IX.  
An ACT for the laying an imposition upon negroes, slaves, and white persons imported into this province. Expired.

C H A P. X.  
An ACT for the naturalization of Matthias Matthiason, alias Freeman, Peter Colley, John and Joseph Gouttee, and Joseph and John, sons of the said Joseph Gouttee, and Leonard Camperfon. Lib. LL. No. 2. fol. 90. A Private Act.

C H A P. XI.  
An ACT ascertaining the fees of naturalization. Lib. LL. No. 2. fol. 91. Repealed 1704, ch. 77.

C H A P. XII.  
An ACT for the assessing three-pence per hoghead upon tobacco, towards defraying the public charge of this province.

For one year. Expired.

C H A P. XIII.  
An ACT for the division and regulating several counties within this province, and constituting a county, by the name of Prince-George's county, within the same province. Lib. LL. No. 2. fol. 92.

N. B. By this act (1.) from and after the 23d April, 1696, the bounds of St. Mary's county, shall begin at Point Look-out, and extend itself up Patowmack river, to the lower side of Bud's creek, and so over by a freight line drawn from the head of the main branch of the said Bud's creek, to the head of Indian creek, in Patuxent river; including all that land lying between Patuxent and Patowmack rivers, from the lower part of the said two creeks and branches of Bud's and Indian creek, by the line aforesaid, and Point Look-out as aforesaid. (2.) Upon the upper side of the said Indian creek and Bud's creek, shall the bounds of Charles county begin, where the upper bounds of St. Mary's ends; and extend itself upwards as far as Mattawoman creek and branch, and bounding on the said branch by a freight line drawn from the head thereof, to the head of Swanson's creek, in Patuxent river; including all that land lying on the upper part of Bud's creek and Indian creek branches, where St. Mary's county ends, to the lower side of Mattawoman creek and branch, and Swanson's creek and branch, between Patuxent and Patowmack rivers, as aforesaid. (3.) The land from the upper side of Mattawoman and Swanson's creek and branches, extending upwards, bounded by Patowmack on the west, and by Patuxent river on the east, shall be, and is hereby constituted, founded and incorporated into a county of this province, and shall be denominated, called and known, by the name of Prince-George's county; and shall, from and after the said 23d day of April next ensuing, being St. George's day, have and enjoy all other rights, benefits and privileges, equal with the other counties of this province; such as sending burgesses to assemblies, having county courts, sheriffs, justices and other officers and ministers requisite and necessary, and as are used in other counties of this province. (4.) Commissioners appointed, who shall, at or before the said 23d day of April, cause the said two lines, from the head of Bud's creek branch, to the head of Indian creek branch, and from the head of Mattawoman branch to Swanson's creek branch, fully to be marked and lined by a double line of marked trees, that the same may be known and perceived by all persons, desiring to know the same; and shall return a certificate of the due courses thereof, one to each county concerned, and one more certificate to the governor and council, to be recorded in the council records, and each county court's records, as aforesaid. (5.) St. Mary's county court to be held for ever hereafter at the state-houle of the city of St. Mary's, being hereby allowed and appointed to the county of St. Mary's for holding and keeping their courts in, and such other decent services, as to the justices of the same county, in full court, shall be consented and agreed to. (6.) The Island of Kent to be added to, and made part of Talbot county. (7.) That part of Talbot county lying on the north side of Corfica creek, running up the main eastern branch, to the head thereof, and then with a course drawn east, to the outside of this province, shall be the southerly bounds of the county of Kent, and on the north by the county of Cecil. (8.) Commissioners appointed to cause the bounds between Kent and Talbot counties to be run out and marked by a double line of trees, and return certificates thereof as aforesaid.

C H A P. XIV.  
An ACT for laying the public levy.

C H A P. XV.  
An explanatory act to the act of repeal of all laws heretofore made in this province, and confirming all laws made by this general assembly. Lib. LL. No. 2. fol. 96. Repealed 1704, ch. 77.

C H A P. XVI.  
An ACT for reviving the temporary laws of this province. Expired.

C H A P. XVII.  
An additional act to the act for regulating the militia of this province.

To be in force three years, or to the end of the next session. Expired.