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Dec. 1754.

1695, ch. 13.

An ACT declaring the divisions of several counties within this province, made by virtue of a former act, entitled, \* 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, to be firm and stable. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 208.

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an act of assembly, made at an assembly held at Annapolis, the eighth day of May, sixteen hundred ninety-five, entitled, An act for the regulating and division of several counties within this province, and constituting a county by the name of Prince-George's County within the same province, which is now executed, several divisions and partitions were made, and by another act of assembly made the third day of April, sixteen hundred and ninety-eight, entitled, An act ascertaining the bounds and limits of Anne-Arundel and Baltimore counties, several other divisions and partitions, lines and land-marks, were made, relating to the bounds of both the said counties;

Divisions confirmed.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the Queen's most excellent majesty, by and with the advice and consent of her majesty's Governor, Council and Assembly of this province, and the authority of the same, That such partitions and divisions, lines and land-marks, as by the directions of the said act were made, shall remain firm and stable for ever.

Jurisdictions separated.

III. AND, whereas there are several counties that are divided by navigable rivers, and no rule yet made how far the jurisdiction of each county shall extend on the river, BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That every county lying on any navigable river in this province, shall extend its jurisdiction from the shore to the channel of such river that divides the county, and be divided from the other county by the channel of the said river; and that where any ship or vessel shall ride at anchor in the channel of such river, process may be served on board the said ship by the officer of either county that can first serve it, but when moored by any hold on the land, shall be supposed to lie in that county to whose shore she is fastened, if moored.

C H A P. XCIII.

An ACT for advancements of the natives and residents of this province. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 210.

C H A P. XCIV.

An ACT declaring several acts of assembly, formerly made, to be in force. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 211. Expired.

C H A P. XCV.

\* 1704, ch. 59.

An ACT for suspending the prosecution of any priests of the communion of the church of Rome, incurring the penalties of an act of assembly, entitled, \* An act for preventing the growth of popery, by exercising his function in a private family of the Roman communion, but in no other case whatsoever. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 212.

For eighteen months. Expired.

C H A P. XCVI.

An ACT for the division of St. Paul's parish, in Prince-George's county. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 213.

1. The said parish to be divided. 2. The division lines to begin with the dividing branches of Patuxent river, and to run with the western branch, to a branch called Cabin branch, by the plantation of a certain Edward Willet, and so with the Cabin branch, to the head thereof; and the southernmost part to be adjudged to be St. Paul's parish. 3. The said St. Paul's parish to be further bounded and divided by the ridge between Patuxent and Patowmack; and the eastern side of the said ridge, and the northernmost part of the western branch, to be adjudged a new and distinct parish, by the name of Queen-Anne's Parish, with power to elect proper officers, and enjoy all the advantages, privileges and benefits of a complete and entire parish.

C H A P. XCVII.

\* 1694, ch. 8.

An ACT declaring an act, entitled, \* An act for erecting Anne-Arundel and Oxford towns into ports and towns, formerly made, to be in force. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 214. Expired at the end of the session after.

C H A P. XCVIII.

An ACT declaring the act, entitled, (a) An act ascertaining the bounds of land, to be in force. Lib. LL. No. 3. fol. 214.

(a) Made 1699, ch. 18, hereby continued in force to the end of the next session of assembly.

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