

paid to the persons before nominated for completing the said chapel; the said persons to render an account to the vestry for all monies by them received for the said use, and how laid out, and any remaining balance in their hands to be paid to the vestry, and by them be applied towards defraying parish charges. 2. From the death of the reverend Benedict Bourdillon, the present incumbent, the hundred of Soldier's Delight and Back River Upper Hundred to be separated from the parish of St. Paul, and erected into a new parish by the name of St. Thomas's Parish, from and after which contingency, the inhabitants of the said St. Thomas parish to have and enjoy all benefits, privileges, powers and authorities, equal with the inhabitants of any other parish within this province, with power of electing vestrymen, churchwardens, &c. 3. The persons appointed as aforesaid are directed to build the said chapel so as to answer the convenience of the intended parish of St. Thomas, and to make it sufficiently large, &c. which chapel, from the death, &c. of the reverend Mr. Bourdillon, to be taken, deemed and used, as the parish church of St. Thomas aforesaid, &c.

C H A P. XVI.

Dated 29th of October, 1742. An ACT for relief of Honor Huggel, Susannah Murray, Catherine Brett, John Lumley, George Jenkins and Anthony Hill, languishing prisoners in Anne-Arundel county gaol, Thomas Brown, Robert Evans and Robert Brashears, languishing prisoners in Prince-George's county gaol, Paul Busey, a languishing prisoner in Calvert county gaol, John Mitchel and Charles Gannon, languishing prisoners in Talbot county gaol, Samuel Peck and Edmond Milton, languishing prisoners in Queen-Anne's county gaol, Francis Tute, George Russell and William Willoughby, James, languishing prisoners in Somerset county gaol, Robert Walmsley, a languishing prisoner in St. Mary's county gaol, Solomon Trenor and Garret Corbet, languishing prisoners in Cecil county gaol, and John West and William Clements, junior, languishing prisoners in Charles county gaol. Lib. BLC. fol. 261. A Private Act.

C H A P. XVII.

An ACT to enable Caleb Dorsey, of Anne-Arundel county, gentleman, to sell and dispose of forty-nine acres of land, part of the estate of Mary Woodward and Elizabeth Woodward, infants. Lib. BLC. fol. 265. A Private Act.

C H A P. XVIII.

An ACT for dividing Prince-George's parish, in Prince-George's county, and for erecting a parish out of the same, called by the name of All-Saints Parish. Lib. BLC. fol. 266.

N. B. By this act, 1. From and after the 22d November next, all that part of Prince-George's parish, beginning at Great Sennecac Run mouth, and running by and with the said run to the head thereof, from thence with a due east line to the head of one of the draughts of Patuxent river, and so binding all round as the upper part of the said county is bounded, shall be separated, constituted and created, into a parish, to be called by the name of All-Saints Parish, and is hereby adjudged, deemed and taken, to be a separate and distinct parish. 2. The freeholders empowered to elect vestrymen and churchwardens, and to build and found a church therein, and to have, hold and enjoy all privileges and advantages that are held and enjoyed by any other parish within this province.

C H A P. XIX.

An ACT to divide Somerset county, and to erect a new county on the sea-board side, by the name of Worcester. Lib. BLC. fol. 267.

N. B. By this act, 1. After the 10th December next, the bounds of Somerset county shall contain as followeth: Beginning at Watkins's Point, and from thence running up Pocomoke bay to the mouth of Pocomoke river, up and with the said river to the mouth of Dividing creek, thence up the westernmost side of the said creek to the bridges called Denton's Bridges, and from thence west to the main road called Parahawkin Road, thence up and with the said road to John Caldwell, senior's saw-mill, thence up and with the said road, over Cox's branch, to Broad creek bridge, and down the said branch and creek into Nanticoke river, thence down the said river with Dorchester county to the mouth thereof, and from thence, including all the islands formerly deemed to be in Somerset county, to the beginning, called Watkins's Point, and that after the said 10th December, all the remaining part of what is now reputed to be within the county of Somerset, to the extent of this province, shall be and is hereby constituted into a county, and shall be nominated, called and known by the name of Worcester county, and the inhabitants thereof shall have and enjoy equal privileges with the other counties of this province, in sending delegates to the general assembly, having county courts, sheriffs, justices, and other officers and ministers, as usual in other counties, &c. 2. Certain commissioners are appointed and empowered to purchase from the owners of such land in the towns of Princess-Anne and Snow-Hill, not being more than one nor less than half an acre, whereon to erect a court-house in each county, and, in case of refusal, or disability of the owner to sell such land, to have the same valued by a jury, and the payment of such valuation to the owner, &c. or tender thereof, shall invest the justices, and their successors, with an estate in fee-simple, for the use of such county court for ever. 3. The justices empowered to contract for the building, and cause a court-house to be built in their respective counties on the said lands, and to raise sums, not exceeding £. 1000 in each county, to pay for the lands and buildings, by three equal yearly assessments. 4. The justices of Somerset county to sell, by vendue, to the highest bidder, the present court-house and lands belonging to the said county, half the produce whereof to be paid to the justices of Worcester county, and be by them applied to the county charge, the other half to be in like manner applied by the justices of Somerset county, to defray the public charge of that county. 5. Worcester county court to be held on the first Tuesdays of the months of March, June, August and November, yearly; and the assizes in the said county to begin, and be held on the Thursdays before the assizes in Somerset county; and the assizes and county courts of Somerset county, after the last day of November next, shall be held at Princess-Anne-town aforesaid.

C H A P. XX.

An ACT encouraging the raising of copper ore, erecting of stamping mills and copper works, and making of copper within this province. Lib. BLC. fol. 269. A Private Act.

C H A P. XXI.

An ACT for raising a duty of three halfpence sterling per hogshead on all tobacco exported out of this province, for the use of the governor. Lib. BLC. fol. 270.

Till the last day of October, 1743. Expired.

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