

Sufficiently to prove the party charged to be the begetter of such child in every such case the Mother of such child shall only be liable to satisfy the damage so sustained by servitude or otherwise as the Court before whom such matter is brought shall see convenient provided that where the mother of any such child as aforesaid shall be able to prove her charge by sufficient testimony of witnesses or confession of the party charged or pregnant circumstance agreeing with her declaration in the extremity of her pains and throes of travail and her oath taken by some Magistrate then the party charged if a servant to satisfy half the said damage if a freeman then the whole damage by servitude or otherwise as the Court before whom such matter is brought as aforesaid shall think fitt And if any such mother as aforesaid be able to prove by such testimony or confession of the party charged being a single person and a freeman did before the begetting of such child promise her marriage that then he shall perform his promise to her or recompence her abuse as the Court before whom such matter is brought shall see convenient the quality and conditions of the persons considered This act to endure for three years or to the end of the next Generall Assembly

Act For appointing Court days in each Respective County within this Province To the intent Court days may be ascertained & that the Commissioners within their respective Counties may know Justly when to attend Be it Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietor by and with the advice and consent of the upper & lower houses of this present Generall Assembly that for the future Saint Maries Baltimore & Dorchester County Courts shall be held the first Tuesday in September November January & March June for the Orphans and the first Tuesday in August for Ann Arundell Charles and Somerset County the second Tuesday in September November January March June for the Orphans & the second Tuesday in August