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# An Act Imposing a fine on Edward Dorsey Convicting

him of a Treason of Three hundred Thirty  
three pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence  
to the King and Imposing fine on the  
Sheriffs of Cecil and Talbot Countys &

Whereas Edward Dorsey of St. M. Cradock Esq. etc  
gent had heretofore promoted and agreed with Col<sup>t</sup>  
Francis Nicholson late Governor of this Province and  
others to build and finish a Colom Church at the parte  
of Annapolis before the first day of November 1697  
and afterwards by the Honorable Assembly a further time  
was allowed the said Edward Dorsey sixtill the twentieth  
of November 1698 And for that the said Dorsey hath  
all together neglected and desisted from building & finishing  
the said Church for which neglect the said Dorsey  
being called before the Court of Delawares and after  
Examination it being put to the voice whether no  
would stand tryall in question that hee did commit  
against him for not keeping his covenant that he  
would submit to such fine as the Generall Assembly  
would impose and lay upon him Answered that he  
would and did submit to such fine provided hee might  
for ever after be discharged from building & finishing  
the said Church and therefore the Court of Delawares  
did fine the said Edward Dorsey two hundred pounds  
sterling to his Majy his Heires and Successors to such  
use and uses at the next Generall Assembly Hall  
Direct to which his Excellency and Council concurred