

to build a prison at St. Mary's by 24th of April
1664 provided for as in this act is required
that then this act shall determine & extend

An Act agt. Hogstreakers

1547

Whereas it appears by daily Experience that the former
act agt. Hogstreakers are found not to be sufficient to punish
agt. the Offenders therein therefore Enacted by y^e said
Prop^r. by & with y^e assent of y^e upper & lower houses
of this present good all assembled that who so ever shall
be proved either as principall or Accessary to have
killed any hoggs in y^e woods upon a plantation or other
wise to the hurt of y^e Land there by to diffeuse or other
wise to alter the mark shall be reputed as a hogstreaker
And he also that shall kill any woods or elsewhere any
hog or hoggs not being his owne & shall secretly
carry them away with purpose to Convey them shall
be adjudged a hogstreaker unless he shall presently
Cutt of the skin & lay out of y^e flesh or skin young
with both ears & evidently shew by demonstration
whofe hoggs they were And shall also hang every
y^e faine upon publick view for y^e space of one week
month at least And be it further Enacted by y^e
authority aforesaid that whosoever person or persons
either as principall or Accessary that shall pri-
vately sell and carry away any young piggs or un-
marked throats not being upon his owne land or not
serving or in Company with his owne hoggs shall also
be adjudged a hogstreaker And be it also Enacted by
y^e authority aforesaid that any person or persons
that shall be reputed by Common fame hogstreakers and
having been forwarned by y^e Law owner of y^e
land & shall yet persist either with doggs or guns