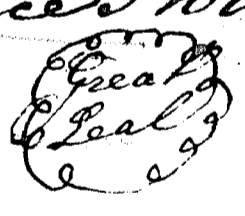


23) that the Said Court House be finished and compleated as well for the Preservation of the Records as for the conveniency of the Officers and Suitors to the Said Court and that a Publick Prison or Goal be also built at the Said Court House.

Be it therefore Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary by and With the advice and Consent of his Lordships Governour and the upper and lower Houses of Assembly and by the Authority of the Same, That the Justices of Prince Georges County Court or the Major Part of them shall have full Power and Authority and by this Act are required to Levy and Apsee twelve pounds of Tobacco per poll on every taxable person within the County aforesaid for one Year next coming to be applied by the Justices aforesaid or Major part of them - towards finishing and compleating the Said Court House and building a Publick Prison or Goal near the Same with all convenient Speed for the use of the Said County: ~

July 4th: 1721
Read and Assented to by the lower House of Assembly -
and Signed by Order M. Fenifer Secy: ~

Aug^r: the 3^d: 1721
Read and Assented to by the upper House of Assembly and
Signed by Order J. Beale Secy: ~

August the 5th: 1721
In behalf of his Lordship the Right Honourable the
Lord Proprietary of this Province I will this be a Law
No: 8  Cha: Calvert

Examind
AN ACT for preventing the Making of trashy Tobacco
and for the bettering the Staple of this Province ~
Whereas this Generall Assembly hath taken into their Mature
Deliberation the Extream Con: State to which the Staple of this
Province is reduced occasion'd as tis found by Experience by the planting
Tobacco's so late in the Year which hath occasion'd such vast
Quantities of trashy Ground leaf immature and other bad Tobacco's
to be made and Shipt off to the great Prejudice of the Markett,
and disreputation of our Staple in Generall as well as a Very
great abuse of the Royall Favour heretofore granted us by the
Crown of Great Brittain and further Since the Parliament of
Great Brittain hath out of their great Wisdom and Goodness,
(thought)