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bacco.

But not to  
purchase  
more than 2  
Acres of  
Land, or raise  
more than  
40000 l. of  
Tobacco.

*Be it Enacted,* That the said Vestry-Men and Church-Wardens be and are hereby impowered to apply the said Six Thousand Pounds of Tobacco to the Uses herein before directed; any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding.

*Provided always,* That the said Vestry-Men and Church-Wardens, do not purchase any more than Two Acres of Land, or raise more than Forty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, by the Ten per Pole, on the Inhabitants of the said Parish, towards the building the said Church; any thing herein before contained to the contrary, notwithstanding.

*An ACT for erecting a Court-House and Prison  
on the East Side of the Head of Port-Tobacco Creek, at a Place call'd  
Chandler-Town, in Charles County; and for making Sale of the Old  
Court-house and Prison.*

The present  
Court-house  
being decay'd,  
a New one  
must of Ne-  
cessity be  
built: But  
the Situation  
of this, being  
for many Rea-  
sons inconve-  
nient,

**W**HEREAS the Magistrates of Charles County-court, by their humble Petition to this General Assembly, have set forth, That their Court-house is so far impaired, ruined and decayed, that there is a Necessity for erecting a new One; and that the Place where the Court-house now stands, is so remote from any Landing, that the Charge of bringing Materials together, by Land-Carriage, for that End, will be much greater than if the same was to be built at the Head of Port-Tobacco Creek, where they may be easily Water-born, and is a Place not only in that, but several other Respects, deem'd more beneficial for the Ease of the Inhabitants and Suitors to the said Court; and have therefore prayed Leave, That an Act may pass for building the same at the Place aforesaid: All which being sufficiently made appear to this Assembly, together with the unanimous Voice and Consent of the Freeholders of the same County thereto, It is prayed that it may be Enacted,

It is Enacted,  
That the Jus-  
tices, before  
the second  
Tuesday in  
March next,  
choose out 3  
Acres of Land  
at Chandler-  
Town on  
Port-Tobacco  
Creek, where-  
on to build a  
Court-house  
and Prison.  
And agree  
with the Ow-  
ner for it.

And if the  
Owner refuse  
to sell it, to  
impanel a  
Jury, who  
shall value it.

*And be it Enacted,* by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Justices of Charles County-court, or the major Part of them, be and are hereby authorized and impowered, on or before the Second Tuesday of March, next after this Session of Assembly, to go to such Place commonly known by the Name of Chandler-Town, on the East Side of Port-Tobacco Creek, in the said County, and there make Choice of Three Acres of Land, whereon to build such Court-house and Prison, as they shall think necessary, and to agree with the Owner for the Purchase thereof forever. And in case the Owner or Owners of such Land, refuse to make Sale of such Three Acres of Land, at a reasonable Price, or be under any Disability of making Sale thereof; then the said Justices, or the major Part of them, shall be and are (by Virtue of this Act) authorized, impowered and required, to issue their Warrants to the Sheriff of the said County, requiring and commanding him to impanel and return a Jury of the most substantial Free-holders, (not less than Twelve,) Inhabitants within the said County, to be and appear before the said Commissioners, at the said Place, upon a certain Day to be by them limited; which Jury, upon their Oath, to be by the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, administered to the said Jurors, shall enquire into the Value