

Value of the said Three Acres of Land, and the Damages the Owner or Owners thereof will sustain by the building a Court house thereon; and what Sum of Tobacco the said Jurors shall assess to the Owner or Owners of such Land for such Land and Damages, for building a Court-house and Prison thereon, shall be paid to the Owner or Owners of such Land, by the said County, and the County entituled to such Land, for the Use of the said County for ever. And the said Justices, or the major Part of them, are authorized and hereby impowered to cause the said Three Acres of Land to be laid out by the Surveyor of the said County, and a Certificate thereof to be returned and recorded in the County-court Records, and to treat and agree with Undertakers, or Workmen, to build and finish a Court-house and Prison on such Three Acres of Land as aforesaid; and the Charge of the said Works and Costs of the Land, to levy upon the said County, by an equal Assessment on the Taxable Persons therein; any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding.

And the Value to be paid to the Owner, and the County then entituled to the land.

Justices are to cause the 3 Acres to be surveyed, and a Certificate returned and recorded, &c to agree with Undertakers, and the Costs to levy on the County.

And be it further Enacted, by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That after the building and finishing the said Court-house, Charles County-court shall be held in such new Court-house and not elsewhere; and such new House shall be taken and deemed to be the proper Court-house of Charles County. And the Justices of the said County, are hereby impowered and required with all convenient Speed, after finishing the said new Court-house at Port-Tobacco Creek as aforesaid, to remove, or cause to be removed from the old Court-house of the said County, to such Court-house as aforesaid, to be built in the said County, all the Record-Books, Rolls, Papers, and other Records to the said County-court belonging; and that they cause a List of the said Records to be Signed by the Clerk of the said County, and enter'd upon Record among their Proceedings,

Charles County-Court House shall be held at the new House where the Justices are to remove the Records, &c.

And be it further Enacted, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the Justices of the said County-court, or the major Part of them, are hereby authorized, impowered and required (after building and finishing the new Court-house as aforesaid,) to make Sale of the old Court house and Prison, with the Land thereto belonging, to the best Purchaser or Purchasers, and to convey an Estate thereof in Fee-simple, to them, their Heirs, and Assigns for ever: And that the Money or Tobacco that shall arise by the Sale thereof, shall be applied to the Use of the County, towards defraying the Charge thereof; any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Justices have Power to sell the old Court-house and Prison, in Fee-simple.

And the Money arising by the Sale to be for the Use of the County.