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and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Justices of Calvert County Court, for the Time being, on Application of the Vestrymen and Churchwardens of the Parish aforesaid, or the major Part of them, shall cause to be levied on the Taxable Persons of the said Parish, the Quantity of One Hundred Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; but that they exceed not the Quantity of Forty Thousand Pounds of that Tobacco in any One Year. And that the Sheriff of the same County, for the Time being, shall pay unto the Vestrymen and Churchwardens of the said Parish, for the Time being, for the Uses aforesaid, such Quantity of Tobacco as shall be levied.

*AND be it further Enacted, by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid,* That the Vestrymen and Churchwardens aforesaid, or the major Part of them, agree with some Person or Persons for the building a Church and Vestry-Room on the same Acre of Land whereon the late Church stood; also, that they purchase Two Acres of Land, adjoining to the One Acre aforesaid, for the better Security of the Church to be built; and that they apply the Tobacco aforesaid, to be levied, as aforesaid, to the Purchase and Building aforesaid, and to no other Use.

*AND be it further Enacted,* That the Justices aforesaid, shall cause to be levied as aforesaid, Five per Cent. beyond the aforesaid One Hundred Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, to satisfy the Sheriff for Collection.

*AND be it further Enacted,* That in Case the Vestrymen and Churchwardens of the said Parish, for the Time being, or the major Part of them, cannot agree with the Owner or Owners of Two Acres of Land next adjoining to the said One Acre, by Reason of the Obstinacy of the Person or Persons to whom the same belongs, or any Impediment whatsoever; that then they give Notice to the Sheriff of the same County to summons a Jury of Twelve substantial and indifferent Freeholders of the County aforesaid, to be and appear at a certain Day, at the Place where the Church stood, and the Sheriff aforesaid, is hereby authorized, required, and impowered, to administer to the said Jurors, the following Oath, viz.

*YOU A. B. shall true Enquiry make, as to the Real Value of any Two Acres of Land, next adjoining to this One Acre whereon the Parish Church formerly stood, and to whom the same doth belong.*  
So help you God.

And that the said Vestrymen and Churchwardens, or the major Part of them, shall cause the said Two Acres of Land to be surveyed by some skilful Person, and bounded; and that on Payment of what they can agree for, or what shall be assessed by the Jury, as aforesaid, or Tender thereof to the Owner or Owners thereof, that then they shall have an absolute Estate to them and their Successors for ever, in the same Two Acres of Land: And that the Vestrymen and Churchwardens aforesaid, or the major Part of them, shall cause their Proceedings, in Relation to the said Two Acres of Land, to be entered amongst their Proceedings; which shall be deemed sufficient Testimony at any Time to prove their Title.