

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Duties shall be collected and received at the Expence of the Lord Proprietary, and not otherwise.

An ACT for the erecting a Town at the Head of Wiccomoco River, in Somerset County, for laying into Lots, Fifteen Acres of Land in the Fork thereof, and at the Landing commonly now called Handy's, or Carr's Landing.

WHEREAS, several Inhabitants of *Somerset* County, have, by their Petition to this General Assembly, set forth, That there is a very convenient Place for a Town, at the Head of *Wiccomoco* River; and that it is generally agreed, that that Part of a Tract of Land at the Head of the said River, in a Fork thereof, now in the Possession of *William Winder*, the Son of *John Winder*, who is a Minor, and supposed to be the Right of the said *William Winder*: Which said Tract is commonly called, or known, by the Name of *Pemberton's Good-Will*,

BE it therefore 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 *Mr. John Caldwell*, *M. Ebenezer Handy*, *Mr. Thomas Gillys*, *Mr. Isaac Handy*, and *Mr. John Disharoon*, or any Three of them, shall be and are hereby appointed Commissioners for *Somerset* County aforesaid, and are hereby authorized and impowered, as well to agree for the buying and purchasing Fifteen Acres of Land out of the Tract aforesaid, and such Part, not exceeding Fifteen Acres, as lies most convenient to the Water, as for surveying and laying the same out, in the most convenient Manner, into Twenty equal Lots, to be erected into a Town.

AND be it further Enacted, That Commissioners aforesaid herein before nominated and appointed, or the major Part of them, are hereby impowered, some Time before the Tenth Day of *December*, which shall be in the Year of our Lord God, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Two, to meet together on the Tract of Land aforesaid, or some other convenient Place thereto, and shall then and there treat and agree with the Owner or Owners, and the Persons interested in the said Fifteen Acres of Land, for the same; and after Purchase thereof, shall cause the same to be surveyed, laid out, and divided, as near as may be, into Twenty equal Lots, allowing such sufficient Space or Quantity thereof, for Streets, Lanes, and Alleys, as to them shall seem meet, with Posts or Stakes towards every Street, Lane, or Alley; the said Lots to be numbered One, Two, Three, and so on to Twenty, for the better and more sure distinguishing each Lot from the other: Of which said Twenty Lots, the Owner or Owners of the said Land shall have his or their first Choice for Two Lots, and after such Choice, the remaining Lots may be taken up by others; and that no Person shall presume to purchase more than One Lot within the said Fifteen Acres, during the first Four Months after laying out the same; and that the said Lots shall be purchased by the Inhabitants of the County aforesaid. And in Case the Inhabitants shall not take up the said Lots within Six Months after such laying out, as aforesaid,