

An ACT empowering the Justices of Cæcil County Court, to levy on the Taxable Inhabitants of St. Stephen's North Sassafras Parish, the Sum of Two Hundred and Eighty Pounds Current Money of Maryland, at Two equal Assessments.

WHEREAS, the Vestry and Churchwardens, and principal Inhabitants of the Parish aforesaid, by their humble Petition to this General Assembly, have set forth, That the Tobacco formerly allowed, by Act of Assembly, for the building a new Church and Chapel in the Parish aforesaid, was not sufficient for that Purpose; and that there is a Necessity of an additional Sum to be levied, in Order, decently to finish, furnish, and adorn them, as also to pale in a Yard for the Chapel: And further set forth, That the old Vestry-house was very much decayed; and that the Vestry and Churchwardens had an Opportunity of getting a Brick Vestry-house built at a reasonable Rate, *viz.* for Eleven Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Pounds of Tobacco, which they contracted for, apprehending they had Tobacco enough to pay therefore, but that it happens they had not; and pray, an Act may pass, empowering the Justices of *Cæcil County Court*, to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of the Parish aforesaid, the Sum of Two Hundred and Eighty Pounds Current Money of *Maryland*, at Two equal Assessments, the Sheriff's Salary for Collection included in the said Sum; which said Sum of Two Hundred and Eighty Pounds, they pray may be applied, as followeth; *To wit*, The Sum of Ninety Five Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence, to pay for said Vestry-house; the Sum of Ninety One Pounds for the Use of the Church; the Sum of Eighty Pounds to be applied and laid out for the Use of the said Chapel; and the Sum of Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence for the Sheriff's Salary, for collecting:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of His Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That the Justices of *Cæcil County Court*, at *November Court* next, shall and are hereby required to levy on the taxable Inhabitants of said Parish, by equal Portions, the Sum of One Hundred and Forty Pounds Current Money of *Maryland*; which said Sum of One Hundred and Forty Pounds shall, by the Vestry and Churchwardens, be particularly applied, in Proportion, as prayed, to the finishing the new Church and Chapel, and paling in a Chapel-yard; save so much thereof, as the Sheriff shall be allowed for his Collection, at *Five per Cent.* And that at *November Court*, which shall be in the Year of Our Lord, Seventeen Hundred and Thirty Eight, the Justices of said Court, shall levy the Sum of One Hundred and Forty Pounds Current Money of *Maryland*, on the taxable Inhabitants of said Parish, by equal Portions; which said last Sum of One Hundred and Forty Pounds shall be applied in Manner following: *To wit*, Ninety Five Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence, for the Payment of the Vestry-house; the Remainder of said Sum, the Sheriff's Salary, at *Five per Cent.* deducted, to be applied to the adorning and finishing the said Church and Chapel, in the same Proportion, as prayed.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the Authority aforesaid, That notwithstanding any Law now in Force, the Justices of said County