

An ACT Impowering the three Commissioners herein named, together with the Justices of *Calvert* County, to Repair the Court-House of that County, by an Assessment on the Inhabitants thereof.

WHEREAS, as well the Justices of the said County Court, as other the Inhabitants of the said County, have heretofore, by ^{Preamble.} their humble Petition to the then General Assembly, let forth, that the Court-House of the said County being Built with Wood, and although of no long Standing, yet is so decayed, that in a very few Years the same will be altogether useless, and consequently put the County to a great Charge to Build a new one, and that, excepting the Shingling, the Roof is supposed to be good, and therefore Pray that an Act may Pass in order to enable them to Brick the under Works and new Shingle the said House, and that the Money that shall be agreed to by the Commissioners herein after named, and Justices of the said County, to be paid to the Person or Persons that shall Perform the said Work, shall be Assessed and Levied on the Taxable Inhabitants of the said County; All which Allegations being made appear to that Assembly, and it being now represented to this House by the Delegates for that County, that the said Court-House hath never been yet Repaired, and is in great danger of falling down: It is therefore Prayed that it may be Enacted,

And be it 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 Mr. Benjamin Mackall, Mr. Benjamin Hance, and Mr. Richard Young, ^{Calvert County Court-House to be Repaired.} together with the Justices of *Calvert* County, or the major Part of them, be, and are hereby, Impowered to agree with any Person or Persons to new Shingle the Court-House aforesaid, and to have the under Works or Walls thereof made up and walled with Brick, Stone, or otherwise, as they shall think fit, and to make such Repairs as the said Court-House shall want.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice and Consent aforesaid, That the said Justices of *Calvert* County, or the major Part of them, be, and are hereby, Impowered to Assess and Levy, by an equal Assessment, on the Taxable Inhabitants of the said County, any Sum of Money, not exceeding *Five Hundred Pounds* Current Money of *Maryland*, in order to satisfy and pay any Workmen they shall agree with to do ^{The Charge of Repairing how defray'd.} the said Work, so as aforesaid to be made to the said Court-House aforesaid, one Moiety of such Sum as they shall agree for, to be Levied at the next *November* Court to be held for the said County, and the other Moiety at *November* Court thereafter, which said Money shall be Collected by the Sheriff of the said County for the Time being, and paid by him to the Person or Persons that the Commissioners and Justices aforesaid shall Order and Direct, and that the said Sheriff shall have for such Collection at and after the rate of *Five Pounds* Current Money *per Cent.* and no more.