

such Lots as are not taken up and possessed by any Person or Persons, other than such Proprietor or Proprietors, Guardian or Guardians as aforesaid, of the said twenty-five Acres; and the Payment of such Sum or Sums of Money or Tobacco, as such Lot or Lots shall by the said Jury be adjudged worth to the Proprietor or Proprietors, Guardian or Guardians, as aforesaid, or a Tender thereof, by such Person or Persons who shall be willing and desirous to take up such Lot or Lots as aforesaid; and Refusal by such Proprietor or Proprietors, Guardian or Guardians, as aforesaid, and such Payment or Tender, and Refusal, being duly proved by the Oath of one or more lawful Witness or Witnesses, before two Justices of the Peace for the said County, by the said Person or Persons intending to take up the same; and an Entry or Record thereof made by the Town Clerk aforesaid, and returned by him to be lodged, with the other Proceedings, in the same County Court Office as aforesaid, shall give and make to such Person or Persons complying with the other Requisites in this Act mentioned, a good and indefeasible Estate of Inheritance in Fee-Simple, to them, their Heirs, and Assigns, for ever; any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

*And be it Enacted*, That all Lots hereafter to be taken up, shall be built upon and improved, according to the before Dimensions, within three Years after the taking up of the same; which Lots so built upon by the Takers-up, or their Heirs, or Assigns, and paid for, or a Tender of Payment made, as before provided, shall be the Right, Property, and Estate, of such Person or Persons so taking up, improving, and paying for the same, their Heirs, and Assigns, for ever.

Lots built upon to be vested in the Takers-up, their Heirs and Successors.

*And be it further Enacted*, That all Persons minding to take up Lots in the Town aforesaid, shall have free Liberty to take up and enter the same for the Space of seven Years, to be computed from the Time of making the same Survey; but in case all the Lots should not be taken up within seven Years after the Survey made, that then it shall revert to the former Proprietors: *Provided always*, that the Proprietor of the remaining Land not taken up or held, his, her, or their Guardian or Guardians, in his, her, or their Right, shall have the Preference of taking up any one Lot, he, she, or they shall think fit, more than he, she, or they have already improved upon, so that he, she, or they make their Election within ten Days after the Survey aforesaid is to be made.

Time limited for taking up of Lots.

Proviso.

*And be it further Enacted*, That every Person who already hath, or hereafter shall, take up, pay for, and build upon, any of the Lots laid out by Virtue of the Acts of Assembly, their Heirs and Assigns for ever shall be chargeable with and liable to the Payment of One Penny Sterling Money, yearly, for each Lot so taken up, paid for, and built on, to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary and his Heirs for ever, and that the Clerk of *Somerset* County yearly transmit to his Lordship's Agent for the Time being an Account of all the Lots, taken up, paid for, and built on, according to the Directions of this Act.

One Penny Sterling to be paid annually to his Lordship, for each Lot so taken up and built on.

Saving to his most Sacred Majesty, his Heirs, and Successors; the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors; and to all Bodies

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