

Acts of Assembly passed in May, 1748.

*Queen Anne's
County Jus-
tices to levy
37,100 wt. of
Tobacco.*

How applied.

That the Justices of *Queen-Anne's* County shall be and they are hereby impowered and required, on the Application of the Vestry and Church-Wardens of *Christ's-Church* Parish in *Queen-Anne's* County, to assess and levy upon the taxable Inhabitants of the said Parish, the Sum of Thirty seven thousand one hundred Pounds of Tobacco, and the Salary of Five *per Centum* to the Sheriff for collecting the same, at three equal Assessments, which said Sum of Thirty seven thousand one hundred Pounds of Tobacco shall be collected by the Sheriff of the said County, in the same Manner as other public Dues are collected, and shall be by him paid to the Vestry and Church-Wardens of the said Parish for the Time being, who are hereby authorized and impowered to apply the same to repairing and enlarging the said Church, in such Manner as to them shall seem most necessary and convenient, and to no other Use or Purpose whatsoever; Any Law, Statute, Usage or Custom to the Contrary notwithstanding.

An Act relating to that Part of *King and Queen* Parish which lyes in *Charles* County, and was lately severed by the Death of the Reverend Mr. *John Donaldson*.

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an Act of Assembly lately passed at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of *Annapolis*, the First Day of *May*, Seventeen hundred and forty four, it was among other Things enacted, " That the County of *St. Mary's* should be divided into four Parishes, to become such on the Death or Removal of the then several Incumbents: " And whereas at that Time a Part of *Charles* County was held as Part of *King and Queen* Parish, and the whole enjoyed by the said Mr. *Donaldson*; and it was also thereby enacted, That after the Death or Removal of the said Mr. *Donaldson*, and the Reverend Mr. *Urquhart*, the then present Minister of *All-Faith* Parish, then lying in said *St. Mary's* and *Charles* Counties, those Parts of the said two Parishes should become one, and called by the Name of *Trinity* Parish: And whereas the said Mr. *Donaldson* is lately dead, living the said Mr. *Urquhart*, whereby that Part of *Charles* County, which was in *King and Queen*, is at present without the Bounds of any Parish, and hath not any Vestrymen or Church-Wardens, altho' there is by Law a Warehouse established to be therein. And forasmuch as many of the principal Inhabitants of that Part of *Charles* County which was lately in *King and Queen* Parish, have, by their humble Petition to this General Assembly, set forth the before mentioned Facts, and prayed that an Act might pass to enable them to choose Vestrymen and Church-Wardens for the due Execution of the Inspection-Law, and other Parish Purposes, which is thought reasonable to be granted:

*Choosing of
Vestrymen,
&c. at New-
Port Church.*

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 it shall and may be lawful for the several Protestant Freeholders of that Part of *Charles* County, which was lately in *King and Queen* Parish, at any Time between the First Day of *September* next, and the Twentieth Day of the same Month, on public Notice being given them to meet at *Newport* Church, and choose Eight competent Protestant Freeholders, Six of them to serve as Vestrymen, and Two as Church-Wardens, who, when they are so chosen, shall take the several Oaths to the Government, and of Office, and may then proceed to execute all the Powers and discharge the Duty of Vestrymen and Church-Wardens, according to the Laws and Usage of this Province. And that from and after such Election and Qualification, the

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