

For making a
Causeway.

the River *Nanticoke*, opposite to *Vienna-Town*, in *Dorchester County*; the said Road or Causeway to have a good and sufficient Foundation of Wood, raised to an Height not to be overflowed by the Water from the said River, and of Twelve Feet wide at the least upon the Top, well fanded, with one or more turning Places thereon. And the said Justices are by this Act also impowered and required, as soon as conveniently may be, to contract and agree with some proper Person or Persons for the undertaking and performing the Work, and to take a Bond from such Contractor or Undertaker, with good Security, in a sufficient Penalty, at the Discretion of the said Justices, payable unto the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, and conditioned for the well and sufficient making the said Road or Causeway, and compleating and finishing the said Work, in such Manner as herein before directed.

Justices to order
the same to be
kept in Repair.

III. *AND be it further Enacted*, That when the said Road or Causeway shall be so made, compleated, and finished, as aforesaid, the Justices aforesaid are directed and required to appoint a proper Person Overseer of the same, with a sufficient Number of the Inhabitants next adjacent, under his Direction to keep, take care of, and by their own Labour maintain, support, and keep the said Road or Causeway in good Repair, in the same Manner that other Roads are or ought to be kept, without any further Tax upon the said County, under the like Pains and Penalties on such Overseer, and the People under him, for Neglect or Omission of their respective Duties, as directed and appointed by the Laws now in Force relating to other Public Roads or Highways; any Thing in this or any other Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Act of
1756, Repealed.

IV. *AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That an Act, entitled, *An Act impowering the Justices of Somerset County to levy not exceeding Twenty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco upon the taxable Inhabitants of the said County, for the Use therein mentioned*, made and passed at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of *Annapolis* on Monday the Twenty-third Day of *February*, in the Fifth Year of the Dominion, &c. *Anno Domini* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-six, be, and is hereby utterly Repealed and made Void.

An Act for the Relief of sundry of the Inhabitants of Charles County.

Preamble.

I. **W**HEREAS by a most extraordinary Hurricane, happening on the Twentieth Day of June last, *Piles's Warehouse* in *Charles County*, then having a considerable Quantity of Inspected Tobacco therein, was blown down, by which said Accident the said Tobacco, or Part thereof, hath been much damaged, and that it would prove a great Hardship should such accidental Damage and Loss fall on the Inspectors, or Owner of the said

Warehouse:

Loss of Tobacco damaged at *Piles's Warehouse*, to be made good by a Levy.

II. *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 Inspectors of the said Warehouse do deliver, upon Oath, an Account of the Tobacco so damaged as aforesaid to the Justices of the next County Court, to be held for the said County, and a List containing the Names of the several Persons whose Tobacco hath been damaged as aforesaid, and the exact Quantity of Tobacco damaged as aforesaid, belonging to each Person, mentioned in such List; and the said Justices shall, and are hereby directed and impowered, at the next *November Court*, to be held for the said County, to assess and levy a Quantity of Tobacco on the taxable Inhabitants thereof, to the Amount of the Quantity of Tobacco which shall appear to them to be damaged as aforesaid, together with the Sheriff's Salary for collecting the same; out of which, the respective Proprietors of the Tobacco damaged as aforesaid, shall be paid their several Claims by Order or Orders drawn by the said Justices on the Sheriff of the said County.

Failure in Election of Inspectors, remedied.

III. *AND whereas the last Election of Inspectors for Piles's Warehouse, in Charles County aforesaid, was not made pursuant to the Act, entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees*, whereby the said Inspectors are not duly qualified to act as such; and the Time of Election of Inspectors, according to the said Act, is elapsed: *Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That the Vestrymen and Church-Wardens of *Trinity Parish*, in the County aforesaid, wherein the Warehouse aforesaid hath been Erected and Established in Virtue of the said recited Act, do meet together at the Church of the said Parish, between the Twentieth and Twenty-fifth Day of *October*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-six, and proceed to nominate and recommend to the Governor and Commander in Chief of this Province, for the Time being, Four sufficient Planters, well skilled in Tobacco, for the Execution of the Office of Inspectors, at the Warehouse aforesaid.

Nominations to be return'd to the Governor, &c.

IV. *AND be it Enacted*, That the Vestrymen and Church-Wardens aforesaid, do forthwith transmit a Certificate of such Nomination and Recommendation to the Sheriff of the said County, who shall forthwith transmit the same to the Clerk of the Council, for the Time being, to be by him immediately laid before the Governor or Commander in Chief, for the Time being; out of which said Four Persons to be nominated and recommended as aforesaid, the Governor or Commander in Chief shall or may appoint, by Warrant under his Hand, Two Persons, to execute the Office of Inspectors at the Warehouse aforesaid. And the Persons who shall or may be appointed Inspectors as aforesaid, shall have as full Power and Authority, and be liable to the same Duties, Penalties, and Regulations, in every Respect whatsoever, as if they had been duly nominated and recommended to the Governor and Commander in Chief, and by him appointed according to the Directions, and in Pursuance of the aforesaid recited Act.