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C H A P. VI. County, and for erecting a new one out of Part thereof: And whereas it appears to this General Assembly, that the erecting of a new County out of such Part of Baltimore County, will conduce greatly to the Ease and Convenience of the People thereof;

The Bounds of Harford County.

II. Be it therefore enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That after the Second Day of March next, all that Part of Baltimore County, which is included within the Bounds following, to wit: Beginning at the Mouth of the little Falls of Gunpowder River, and running with the said Falls to the Fountain Head, and from thence North to the temporary Line of this Province, and thence with the temporary Line to Susquehannab River, thence with Susquehannab to Chesepack Bay, and thence with the said Bay, including Spesutia and Pool's Islands, to the Mouth of Gunpowder River, and thence up the said River to the Beginning aforesaid, shall be and is hereby erected into a new County, by the Name of Harford County.

Inhabitants to enjoy the same Privileges as those of other Counties.

III. And be it enacted, That the Inhabitants of Harford County aforesaid shall have, hold, and enjoy, all such Rights and Privileges as are held and enjoyed by the Inhabitants of any County in the Province.

Commissioners appointed to purchase Land in or adjoining to Bush-Town, for building a Court-House and Prison, &c.

IV. And be it enacted, That Mr. John Paca, Mr. Aquila Hall, Mr. John Matthews, Mr. John Hall of Cranbury, Mr. Amos Garrott, Mr. Richard Dallum, and Mr. Benedict Edward Hall, shall be and are hereby appointed Commissioners for Harford County aforesaid; and they, or the major Part of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorized and required to buy and purchase, in Fee, a Quantity of Land not exceeding Four Acres of Land, in or adjoining to Bush-Town, on the Head of Bush River, for the Purpose of building thereon a Court-House and Prison for the said County; and shall cause the said Land to be laid out by the Surveyor of Baltimore County with good and sufficient Boundaries, and a Certificate thereof to be returned and recorded in the Records of the said County; and the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall draw their Order on the Sheriff of Harford County, to pay such Sum as shall be agreed upon for the said Land; and the Sheriff is hereby directed and required to pay the said Order out of the Money hereafter mentioned, to be collected by him for that Purpose: And such Payment for the Land aforesaid, shall invest the Justices of Harford County, and their Successors, with an Estate in Fee simple therein, for the Use of the said County, for ever: And if the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, and the Owner of the said Land, should differ about the Value of the said Land, in such Case the Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to order the Sheriff of Baltimore County to summon Twelve Freeholders upon the said Land, who shall be impannelled and sworn as a Jury, to enquire the Value of the said Land; and the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall draw their Order upon the Sheriff of Harford County, to pay the said Valuation; and the said Sheriff is hereby directed to pay the said Order, out of the Money hereafter mentioned, to be by him collected for that Purpose, and upon his Payment of the said Order, the Fee Simple in the said Land shall be invested, as aforesaid, in the Justices of Harford County, and their Successors, for the Use of the said County, for ever.

V. And