

Be it enacted by the Lord Proprietary of this Province of and with the advice and approbation of the Freemen of the same that the Island commonly called the Isle of Kent shall be united into a hundred and shall be within the County of Saint Mary and another County shall be added of the Eastern Shore and no longer and shall be called by the name of Kent hundred and the Commander of the said Island from time to time appointed by the Lord Proprietary or his Lieutenant General shall be a Justice of Peace within the said hundred during such time as he is Commander with all power and Authority to a Justice of Peace belonging by the Laws of this Province and the said Commander and appoint some one to be Clerk or Register for the Recording of all matters pertaining to that Office and the said Commander and Register for the time being shall be a Court of Record and shall be called the hundred Court of Kent

And all matters and causes whatsoever civil or criminall except wherein the said Commander is a party happening or arising by or between any Inhabitants of the said Island or where any Inhabitant of the said Island is defendant and determinable in the County Court shall or may be heard and determined by and before the said Commander in the said hundred Court and the said Court shall have power to use and exercise all the same or the like Powers and Jurisdictions and