

among other things recited, That for and towards the defraying the
 many great and necessary Expences of Government, and to the Intent
 his Lordship, his Heirs and Successors, Absolute Lords and Proprietaries
 of this Province, might for the future be enabled in some measure to
 defray the same, and in particular, to allow competent Salaries and
 Encouragement to the Lieutenant Generals and Chief Governors, and
 to the Privy Council of the Lord and Proprietary of this Province for the
 Time being, so as without Prejudice to their private Affairs, they might
 be encouraged, and reasonably required to Attend unto the Administration
 of Justice, and other Publick Concernments: It is by the said Act among
 other Things Enacted, that from and after the first day of *September*
 then next coming, there should be raised, levied, collected, and paid
 unto his Lordship the Lord Proprietary of this Province, the Sum of
Two Shillings Sterling for every Hoghead and quantity of an Hoghead
 of Tobacco, which should be at any Time thereafter shipped in any
 Ship or Vessel, to be Exported out of this Province, or any the Territo-
 ries, Islands, Ports, Rivers, Creeks or Places, thereunto belonging;
 Provided always, that one half of the Money by the said Act to be
 raised, be employed towards the maintaining a constant Magazine
 with Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of this Province, and de-
 fraying other Publick necessary Charges of the Government; Provided
 always, that so long as the said Act should continue, his said Lordship,
 his Receiver or Receivers General, for the Time being, should receive
 good, sound and merchantable Tobacco, when tendred, for his said
 Lordship's Rents or Fines for Alienation of Lands, reserved upon the
 severall and respective Grants of Land in this Province, at the rate of
Two Pence per Pound, any Thing in his said Lordship's Grants to the
 contrary thereof notwithstanding: By which said Act 'twas also Enacted,
 that the same should continue during the natural Life of the Right Ho-
 nourable *Cæcilus*, then Lord and Proprietary of this Province, and for
 one Crop more next after his Decease, and no longer, as by the said Act,
 relation thereunto being had, may appear.

Your said Committee do further find, that by an Act of Assembly
 Made and Passed at a General Assembly, held at the City of *St. Mary's*,
 the 13th day of *April*, in the Forty Second Year of the Dominion of
 the Right Honourable *Cæcilus*, &c. *Annoque Domini* 1674, his Excel-
 lency *Charles Calvert* being Governor, Entituled, *An Act of Grati-
 tude to his Excellency Charles Calvert, Esq; Captain General of Mary-
 land*; after reciting the said last mentioned Act of Assembly through-
 out, It is Enacted, That the said recited Act, and all and every the
 Articles, Provisoes, Matters, and Things therein contained, should
 stand, and be by the said Act, Ratified and Confirmed, to all Intents and
 Purposes, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the said recited
 Act, not only for and during the Life of the Right Honourable *Cæcilus*,
 Absolute Lord and Proprietary of this Province, and for one Crop after
 as aforesaid, But also, for and during the natural Life of the Right
 Honourable *Charles Calvert*, Esq; Son and Heir apparent of the said
Cæcilus, then Lord Proprietary, and no longer, and that, from and
 after the Decease of him the said *Cæcilus* Lord Proprietary, the said
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