

said, entituled, *An Act* ascertaining the Gauge and Tare of Tobacco Hogsheads, and to prevent cropping, cutting and defacing Tobacco taken on board Ships or Vessels upon Freight, and for laying Impositions on Tobacco per the Hoghead for the Support of Government, and for the encouraging Settlements in this Province by ascertaining the manner of paying his Lordship's Alienation Fines and Quit Rents for the Term therein proposed, and for taking off the Three Pence per Hoghead formerly raised for the Publick Charge: By which said Act, 'tis among other Things recited, as is before-mentioned to be recited, concerning the enlarging the Gauge in the last aforesaid Act, said to be Passed in the aforesaid Year 1715, And 'tis by the said Act among other Things Enacted, that from and after the 29th day of *September* then next, there should be levied, collected and raised to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors, for every Hoghead of Tobacco, which should be shipped in any Ship or Vessel to be Exported out of this Province, or any the Territories, Islands, Ports, Rivers, Creeks or Places thereto belonging, after the said 29th day of *September*, the Sum of *Fifteen Pence* in lieu, and stead of the *Twelve Pence* Sterling formerly Imposed on every Hoghead of the forementioned former Gauge, and for every Hundred weight of Tobacco Exported in Box, Chest, Barrel or Case *Two Pence half penny* Sterling, and so *pro rato* for a greater or lesser quantity, with a Proviso, that the Money that should be raised by the said Duty should be applied to those Ends and Uses for which it had to that Time been raised, *viz.* for the Support of his Lordship's Government within this Province in manner following and not otherwise, that is to say, *Three Pence* of the said *Fifteen Pence* per Hoghead, for the Purchasing of Arms and Ammunition for the maintaining a Magazine for the better Defence of this Province, and for the due Preservation thereof, to be collected by the proper Officer, and paid to the Treasurer or Treasurers of this Province for the Time being, to be disposed of to the Uses aforesaid, as the Governor and Council for the Time being should direct; the other *Twelve Pence* to his Lordship's Governor for the Time being, actually Inhabiting and Residing within this Province, for the better enabling him to Support the Honour and Dignity of Government, and Effectually to Execute the Powers and Authorities to him Committed, to be collected by the proper Officers by him Appointed, and paid to such Governor as aforesaid; and that in case of the Death or Absence of such Governor, the one half of the said *Twelve Pence* applied to the Governor as aforesaid, that should arise in such Vacancy, should be applied to the Maintenance and Support of such of his Lordship's Council as should then Precede, The other half to be applied towards Building a House for his