

• This Act was limited to continue during the Life of Lord *Cæcilius*, and one Crop after his Decease, and was continued by another Act, in the Year 1674, during the Life of *Charles Calvert* Esq; his Lordship's Heir apparent, and again by another Act in the Year 1676, after the Death of Lord *Cæcilius*, during the Life of *Cæcilius Calvert* Esq; Heir apparent of Lord *Charles Baltimore* and be pleased to observe that when I have Occasion to refer to the Acts of Assembly establishing a Revenue between 1671, and 1692, I refer to the Original Act of 1671, because by the continuing Act of 1674 it was always kept up, tho' Lord *Cæcilius* died between 1674, and 1676.

You perceive that only one Moiety of the Two Shillings per Hoghead was applied by the Act of 1671 to any *public* Use, the other Moiety being given to his Lordship in Consideration of his receiving his Rents, and Alienation Fines at Two-pence Sterling per Pound, and I must observe to you that one Moiety of the Two Shillings in the Year 1671 amounted to near, if not quite double the Sum ["] the One Shilling per Hoghead collected at this Time amounts to: For it appears by the Journals of the Assembly in the Year 1666, that the Tobacco exported about that Time did not fall short of Fifty Thousand Hogheads *communibus Annis*, and the Gauge, or Size of Tobacco Hogheads not having been enlarged, and being only sufficient to contain in each Hoghead about Three Hundred, and Sixty Pounds of Tobacco, there is no Reason to doubt but that the Number of Hogheads exported, in 1671, was at least equal to the above Quantity of Fifty Thousand.

In Conformity with this different Intention to be collected from the Act of 1671, when the Revolution took Place, and Mr. *Copley* was appointed by the immediate Royal Commission Governor of this Province, and the Revenues, which Lord *Baltimore* was entitled to in his Capacity of Governor, and not as Parts of his Estate, were taken from him, an Order was made by their Majesties in Council that one Moiety of the Two Shillings per Hoghead granted by the Act of 1671 should be paid to their Majesties Governor, and the other Moiety to such Person as his Lordship should appoint to receive it to his Use, in Compensation for his taking Tobacco at Two-pence per Pound, in Lieu of his Rents, and Alienation Fines.

I HAVE already intimated to you that Mr. *Copley* in his first Speech to the Assembly, in 1692, communicated to them his Instruction to require a *further* Supply, and the Lower House, in a Repealing Law sent to the Upper, having saved the Act of 1671, it was recommended to them to repeal the Act of 1671 as well as the other Acts, and to make a new Revenue Law, in which Regard might be shewn to the Instruction for a *further* Supply. The Act of 1671 was therefore repealed, and a new Revenue Act passed entitled " An Act for Settlement of an annual Revenue upon their Majesty's Governor within this Province for the Time being," and the Assembly thought proper to introduce by Recitals the Substance of the Impeachment, I have taken Notice of, against Lord *Baltimore*.

THIS Act of 1692, after setting forth the Substance of the Act of 1671, proceeded in these Words, " The Freemen of this Province, now assembled, upon strict Scrutiny made do find his Lordship hath not only been very deficient, and at *small* Charge and Expence in maintaining a Magazine, but that this Province hath been obliged to defray *all* Public Charges arising for the Support of Government by way of equal Assessment upon the Inhabitants, notwithstanding the Provision made by the said Act, and whereas his said Lordship, under *Pretext* of maintaining a Magazine, hath hitherto the Moiety of Two Shillings Sterling per Hoghead converted to his own Use, to the impoverishing of the Country, and Defraud of the Public, and being now incapacitated of complying with *what* by the said Act for the said Moiety of the Two Shillings is required, BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED that the said One Shilling per Hoghead for the defraying the necessary Charges of Government be paid to their Majesties, their Heirs, and Successors for the Support of their Governor for the Time being, &c.

" PROVIDED that this Act, nor any Thing herein contained, shall be adjudged, or taken to make void his Lordship's Right to the other Moiety of the Two Shillings per Hoghead, to be paid, in Consideration of his Rents, and Alienation Money, in Tobacco at Two-pence per Pound during the Term of his Life; but that the same be preserved to his Lordship, nor to discharge him from accounting for the Arrears of One Shilling per Hoghead for the supporting of the Government, and finding Arms, and Ammunition; but that he be obliged to all the Matters, and Things, as fully, and strongly, as if the said Law (*viz.* of 1671) were in full Force."

For what Purpose was the One Shilling per Hoghead given to his Lordship? The Preamble of the Act of 1671 answers " that he might be enabled in *some Measure* to defray the great, and ne-

["] See forward, Note ["]