

Liber A      An Act concerning purchasing land from the Indians

3 Confirmed vt supra Whereas divers persons have heretofore purchased or accepted of lands or Tenements in this Province from Indians and have made use of and possessed the same without any lawfull title or authority derived from the Lord Proprietary neglecting alsoe to take out Grants from his Lopp vnder his great Seale of this Province for such lands as have beene or are due vnto such person or persons by vertue of his Lopps Condiçion of Plantaçion or other Warrant from his Lopp. W<sup>ch</sup> proceedings are not onely very great Contempts and p<sup>r</sup>iudices to his Lopps dignity & rights but are also of such dangerous consequence if not timely p<sup>r</sup>vented, That they may hereafter bring a great confusion in the governem<sup>t</sup> and publique peace of this Province. Be it therefore Enacted by the Lo: Propr. with the assent & approbacion of this Assembly That all purchases or adquisiçions whatsoever of any lands or Tenements within this Province w<sup>ch</sup> either already have beene or w<sup>ch</sup> shall hereafter bee made from any person or persons whatsoever not deriving at the same time a lawfull title therevnto by from or vnder some Grant from time to tyme obteyned or to bee obteyned from his said Lopp or his heires Lords & Proprietaries of this Province vnder his or their great Seale of this Province for the time being shalbe voide and null and it shalbe lawfull for the said Lord Proprietary & his heires to enter vppon seize possesse & dispose of any such lands or tenements soe from time to time purchased or acquired from any Indian or or other as aforesaid at his or their will and pleasure vnles such person or persons soe purchasing or acquiring as aforesaid have some lawfull right or title to the said lands or tenements soe purchased or acquired at the time of such purchase or adquisiçion by some Grant vnder the great Seale of this Province from his said Lopp or his heires Lords and Proprietaries of the same

The ffreemen have assented—Tho: Hatton

Enacted by the Governor—Wifm Stone

An Act for the punishm<sup>t</sup> of certaine offences ag<sup>t</sup> the peace & safety of the Province

4 Confirmed vt supra All mutinous or sedicioues speches practises or attempts (without force) tending to divert the obedience of the people from the right ho<sup>ble</sup> Cecilus nowe Lord Baron of Baltimore, and Lord and Proprietary of this Province or his heires Lords & Proprietaries of the Province or the Gov-