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County therein doe humbly pray that it may be enacted and bee it enacted by the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> by and with the advice and consent of the Upper and Lower houses of this present Generall Assembly and by the Authority of the same that the Commissioners of every respective County within this Province sometime within two years after this Sessions of this psent Generall Assembly shall and are hereby empowred to pvide erect and build (in every of their respective Counties at the Cost & Charge of every of the said Counties) A Court house in such forme and in such places as they in their Discretions shall adjudge most suitable and convenient for the dispatching the affaires of their respective Counties and also one good strong house for a prison to be erected and built at the costs & Charges as aforesaid sometime within one year after the Sessions of this psent Generall Assembly and if the Commiss<sup>rs</sup> of any the respective Counties shall neglect to procure and hire workmen to erect and build such houses within the time before limited or to leavy and defray such necessary Charges as the carrying such affaires as aforesaid and in such time Limited as aforesaid does require. That then they shall and are hereby lyable to a Fine of tenn thousand pounds of Tobacco the one halfe to the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> the other halfe to be employed to the use and behoofe of every the said respective Counties where such neglect hapnes as his Lopp<sup>s</sup> Justices of the Provinciaall Court shall adjudge-requisite.

**An Act against the Prophaning of the Sabbath day.**

Whereas the Lawes of this Province have allready provided for punishing the Prophanacōn of the Sabbath or Lords Day but noe Restraint laid on ordinary Keepers and others who make it their cōmon practice on that day to Keep in and about <sup>Repealed.</sup> their houses Drincking, Tipling and gaming and suffer and mainteine the same to the great dishonour of Almighty God the Discredit of Christianity and the debauching of youth and the encrease and encouragem<sup>t</sup> of vice and Profanesse amongst all sorts, bee it therefore enacted by the Right Hono<sup>ble</sup> the Lord Prop<sup>ty</sup> by and with the advice and consent of the Upper and Lower houses of this Present Generall Assembly and by the Authority of the same, that noe ordinary Keeper shall from and after the publicacōn hereof directly nor indirectly upon the Sabbath or Lords Day draw or sell any strong Liquors nor permit or suffer in or about their house or houses any tipling or gaming att Cards, Dice, ninepinn playing or other such unlawfull exercises whatsoever upon payne & forfeiture for every