

Session being otherwise incapable of acting; and so *toties quoties* as such  
 Laws Vacancy shall happen: Which Commissioner so chosen and appointed shall, and is hereby declared to have all the Powers and Authorities for putting the aforesaid Act in Execution, as any of the other Commissioners in the said Act named.

Chap. XIV. An Act appointing Commissioners for dividing *St. Mary's* County into Four Parishes, and to erect that Part of *All Faith* and *King and Queen* Parish, lying in *Charles* County, into a distinct Parish.

Preamble. Whereas, the Sheriff, Magistrates, Grand Jury-men, and other  
 [Supple- the Protestant Inhabitants of *St. Mary's* County, have by their  
 mented by Petition represented to this General Assembly, that the present ex-  
 1745 Ch. 4] tensive Limits of the Parishes within the said County, and by including Part of *Charles* County, renders the Attendance of the Clergymen very difficult in the Discharge of their Duty, and very inconvenient to the Inhabitants, and that within the said *St. Mary's* County there now is, exclusive of that Part of *Charles* County, a sufficient Support for Four Clergymen, and will yearly increase: They therefore prayed, that an Act may pass, to enable certain Commissioners therein to be appointed, to make a Division of the said County of *St. Mary's* into Four distinct and different Parishes, by proper Metes and Bounds; which Division should take place upon the Death or Removal of the present Incumbent or Incumbents of the said Parishes; which being granted, it is humbly prayed that it may be Enacted:

County *And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary,*  
 Justices, &c. *by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and*  
 appointed *the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the*  
 Commis- *same, That the several and respective Justices of the said St. Mary's*  
 sioners for *County, for the Time being, together with the Sheriff and Surveyor*  
 executing *of the same County, for the Time being, be, and they are hereby*  
 this Act. *appointed Commissioners to execute the several Matters and Things*  
*in this Act hereafter appointed and directed.*

Time of *And be it further Enacted, That the said Commissioners, or the*  
 meeting *major Part of them, shall at or before the Thirtieth Day of August,*  
 of the said *which shall be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hun-*  
 Commis- *dred and Forty-four, meet at the Court-House at Leonard Town,*  
 sioners for *in the County aforesaid, in order to make the Division of the said*  
 laying out *County into Four distinct Parishes, they the said Commissioners*  
 the said *first giving public Notice by Notes set up at the Court-House of the*  
 Parishes. *said County, and the respective Churches and Chapels within the*  
*same, Twenty Days at least before such their Meeting, and then and*  
 p. 13 *there agree and conclude on the Time, Manner, and Form, of mak-*  
*ing the Division aforesaid.*

Commis- *And be it likewise Enacted, That the said Commissioners, or the*  
 sioners to *major Part of them, shall and may, and they are hereby impowered*  
 make choice *of a Clerk,*