

(2.) John Bowling's land in Patuxent river, in Calvert county, being adjudged inconvenient, is discharged from being a town, and instead thereof, a town appointed,

At Coxe's creek, in Patuxent river, or the land adjacent.

(3.) The words in the original act, (next above the land of the Orphans of Charles Ballard, in Wiccocomico, in Somerset county) being too limited, &c. the town or place for the river aforesaid, shall be,

At or near a parcel of land, in Wiccocomico river, on the land which was formerly William Wright's land.

(4.) Doubts having arisen concerning the words in the original act, (the commissioners or major part of them,) whereby the intention of that act was like to be frustrated; the sheriffs of the respective counties, were to give notice to the several commissioners of their counties, to meet at June court, &c. And any commissioner not appearing accordingly, without sufficient excuse, was to forfeit 1000lb. Tobacco, towards payment of chain carriers, &c. and the sheriff, or his deputy, and the deputy-surveyor of the county, to be present at such general meeting, to receive the directions of the commissioners, on penalty of 1000lb. Tobacco to the aforesaid use. (5.) The commissioners, so meeting, were empowered to make rules and orders for performance of the act, and to enforce the same by discretionary fines, &c. and to subdivide themselves, and appoint such and so many to attend any of the said towns, &c. in this and the former act recited, for the due execution thereof. And they, or any five of them, were authorized to appoint days, &c. and to treat with the owners of the land, &c. according to these acts. (6.) The commissioners, so appointed to act in their several divisions, neglecting to appear accordingly, to the hinderance of the matters directed by these acts, without reasonable excuse, to forfeit 200lb. Tobacco: and the sheriff, or surveyor, so neglecting, to be fineable at the discretion of the commissioners, or any five of them, to the uses aforesaid. (7.) The sheriffs to execute such warrants, and empanel such juries as the commissioners, &c. should direct, without fee. And the surveyors to lay out, &c. the lots, and make true draughts of the towns, &c. and deliver the same to be recorded, for the fee of 30lb. Tobacco per lot. The commissioners empowered to compel chain-carriers, labourers, &c. under penalty of 200lb. Tobacco on each person refusing; jurors summoned, and neglecting to appear, to forfeit 500lb. Tobacco each; and the commissioners to appoint in their several divisions, a clerk to keep books of their proceedings, and to enter the lots. (8.) For preventing disputes, all proceedings of the commissioners, already had under the act of 1683, ch. 2, are confirmed. (9.) This and the former act to be a rule to the commissioners, in the several counties, in the purchasing, laying-out, &c. of the towns, &c. herein before mentioned, which shall have the same benefit, &c. with those mentioned in the original act. (10.) The city of St. Mary's, as it is now inhabited, together with the land now granted by his lordship for completing 100 lots, shall be the port, town or place of trade intended by the original act, for the city of St. Mary's, notwithstanding the same do comprehend more than 100 acres. (11.) All fines, &c. for offences against this act in the said city, shall be one third to his lordship, one third to the use of the city, and one third to the informer. (12.) The surveyor general to appoint skilful deputies in the several counties for laying out, surveying and platting the several towns, &c. on penalty of 5000lb. Tobacco for each county so unsupplied, and for every town by that means not laid out, &c. (13.) The said several towns, &c. in both acts mentioned, were to be purchased, surveyed, laid out in lots, marked, staked out, plotted and entered, in the several books to be kept touching the same, &c. at or before the 29th day of September next.

CHAP. III.

An act against excessive Usury. Lib. WH. fol. 269.

Passed 25th Sept.
1684.

To endure 3 years, or to the end of the next General Assembly. Continued 1686, ch. 3, and 1688, ch. 2. A new law made 1692, ch. 85.

CHAP. IV.

An act for recording the journal of the Lower House. Lib. WH. Ditto fol. 270.

A new act made 1692, ch. 79.

CHAP. V.

An act appointing Court days, in each respective County, within this Province. Lib. WH. fol. 270.

A new law made 1692, ch. 65.