

P. R. O. And Whereas it is thought convenient for the encouragement of trade and dispatch of shipping that naval Officers be appointed in convenient districts in this Province Be it Ordained & enacted by this present Generall Assembly and the authority of the same that Capt: Samuel Bourne be and is hereby appointed naval Officer for Patuxent river and the bay and Capt: John Coode for Potomack River and M^r Robert King for Somersett County in this Province to have and to hold the said respective Offices as aforesaid Who are to perform the respective trusts belonging to the said Offices as such navall Officers have formerly done or by law ought to doe.

And that there may be noe obstructions in proceedings about the Probat of Wills and the affairs of Adm^rcōn Be it Ordained and enacted by the authority afores^d that the respective Commissioners and Officers aforesaid in their respective County Courts be and are hereby empowered and authorized to take the Probat of Wills and grant letters of Administration with good security according to law, and to keep a true & perfect record of the same among the Records of the respective County Courts aforesaid—And as to other matters actions or process in the said Courts undetermined they are to be continued and proceeded upon according to their first comēcement and originall process at the next Court according to Act of Assembly And that noe in such proceedings shall be sufficient to reverse any Judgement in either prov^l or County Courts nor shall there be any advantage taken thereby to the prejudice or detriment of any person whatsoever anything in this present Ordinance or any other law to the Contrary in anywise notwithstanding

And Be it likewise ordained constituted & enacted by the authority aforesaid that the provinciall Court of this Province and all other matters, actions or process therein are to be and continue in the same state manner and condition according to their respective natures as formerly left upon the Records of the said Court as they last adjourned or as they now stand soe to be and continue as aforesaid untill their Majesties further pleasure be knowne in relation to this Province, and the books records and papers of the said Provinciall Court or belonging to the respective publick Offices att S^t Marys be and are hereby committed to the care Custody and charge of M^r John Llewelin who is to look after and preserve the same to the best of his ability, for which he is to keep a man there at the publick charge of this Province which shall be allowed in the publick leavy.

And Be it likewise ordained constituted and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the temporary laws of this Province be and are hereby continued and in force according to their