

hog stealing, whom, it was said, he had deliberately allowed to escape, the court declaring that the fine was to be doubled if the fugitive were not brought before the Calvert County Court at its next session (page 477).

It is of interest to note that the boundary dispute between Maryland and Virginia involving the line between these two colonies on the Eastern Shore cropped up in a suit for debt instituted in December, 1664, against a certain James Jolly, who was accused of conveying his family and all his movable goods to a plantation on the Eastern Shore, which it was feared might be out of the jurisdiction of this Province and in the government of Virginia (pages 296-297).

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The next volume of the Archives to appear will be the Proceedings and Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland for the years 1752 to 1754, inclusive, which will be the fiftieth of the general series and the twenty-third of the Assembly sub-series. It is hoped that this will be followed by a volume of Proceedings of the Court of Chancery from 1668, when separate records for this court began to be kept, down to the year 1700.

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