

of one hundred Tunn, the Master thereof shall pay unto the Naval Officer with whom he shall enter such Ship or Vessel as a Fee for such Entry the Sum of five Shillings Sterling and no more, and five Shillings more for clearing thereof. And in such Ship or Vessel shall be above the burthen of one hundred Tunn, or of one hundred Tunn upwards, the Master for the Entry thereof shall pay unto the Naval Officer as a Fee ten Shillings Sterling, and ten Shillings more for clearing thereof. And the said Naval Officers are hereby obliged to receive of the Master of such Ship or Vessel what burthen soever of the Bait of this Province, & within the Province shall inhabit & reside within this Province the Sum of two Shillings & six Pence yearly, which is hereby allowed & ascertained him as a Fee, therefore, the Fee of two Shillings six Pence shall clear the same.

And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that all small Boats belonging to this Province, and being under eighteen Foot by the Keel, shall pass and repass without any lett, hindrance, molestation or seizure of the same, (unless they shall carry or have on Board them prohibited goods, or goods liable to pay Custom to their Majesty's not Coquetted or Clearing for the same,) without being obliged to take out Permits for such passing and repassing as aforesaid; And that the Masters of all Shallops or open Sloops trading within this Province, do pay unto the several Naval Officers, or their Deputy or Deputy's appointed for the granting of Permits the Sum of two Shillings six pence yearly and no more for the granting of such Permits as aforesaid, and shall give good Security to be taken by such Officer aforesaid in their Majesty's Name, that he or they shall and will duly observe the Acts of Trade and Navigation and other good Laws of this Province relating thereto.

And Be it further Enacted That all and every Collector and Collectors of this Province shall have and receive such Fees for Entering and Clearing such Ships and Vessels as aforesaid, as are above allowed to the Naval Officers and no more; And that all Collectors and Naval Officers shall make a fair Table of all their Fees and hang them up in their Offices, under the penalty of fifty pounds Sterling to their Majesty's their Heirs and Successors for the Support of Government, to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province by Action of Debt Bill Plaintiff Information, wherein no Escoyn Protection or Wager of Law shall be allowed.

An Additional Act to the Act for quieting Possessions.

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W H E R E A S at a General Assembly begun and held at St. Mary's in the Province of Maryland the twenty seventh Day of March in the nine and thirtieth Year of the Dominion of Cecilus, &c. Anno Domini 1671. It was then & there amongst other things Enacted viz. an Act for quieting possessions, which Act did assure & confirm all Estates made by real Purchasers of all Lands Tenements and Hereditaments whatsoever, before the Day of the date thereof and not after.

And whereas at a General Assembly held at the City of St. Mary's the 13th. Day of April in the two and fortieth Year of the Dominion of Cecilus &c. Anno Domini 1674. Intituled *An Act of Enrolling Conveyances, and securing the Estates of real Purchasers*, it was therein contained amongst other things, viz. that all that from thenceforth should purchase any Land of Inheritance, should purchase the same by Deed Indented, or other sure Deed, and inrole the same in the County where the Land lieth, or in the Provincial Court, or the principal heads of the same Deed, clearly shewing and declaring the manner how Lands should pass from Man to Man. And forasmuch as the same Law did not provide for the Security of all those Titles that did pass from Man to Man from the 27th. Day of March 1671. until the 13th. Day of April Anno Domini 1674. nor no other Law extant for Securing those Titles, being under the same circumstances as those of 1671. We the Deputy's and Delegates of this present General Assembly do pray that it may be Enacted,

And B E I T E N A C T E D by the King and Queens most Excellent Majesty's by and with the Advice and Consent of this present General Assembly and the Authority of the same, that the aforesaid Law Intituled *An Act for quieting of Possessions*, and all the branches & proviso's therein contained be in full force and virtue until the 13th. Day of April Anno Domini 1674. and not after.