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VIII.

Land; and on such Lot shall build one Twenty Foot square Dwelling-House at least, within Twelve Months after taking up the same, unless such Building be larger than herein expressed, shall, by Virtue thereof, and of the Building and Finishing as aforesaid, invest the Taker-up and Builder as aforesaid, with an Estate of Inheritance in the said Lot, to him, his Heirs and Assigns, for Ever; and be a perpetual Bar to the Owners and Persons interested in the said Lands, either within or without this Province, even against his Lordship the Right Honourable CHARLES Lord Baron of *Baltimore*, Lord Proprietary of this Province, his Heirs and Successors; yielding and paying to the said Lord Proprietary, his Heirs and Successors for ever, the yearly Rent of One Penny current Money for each respective Lot as aforesaid. And that the Surveyors of each Town and Port as aforesaid, shall have and receive such Fees and Rewards, for laying out and staking the Towns and Lots as aforesaid, as the said Commissioners shall allow and settle, and no more.

Privilege of
Inhabitants
in Payment
of Tobacco.

VI. And any Person or Persons that shall build and inhabit in such Port or Town, and shall owe any Sum or Sums of Tobacco, and will pay the same in such Town, he shall be allowed Ten per Cent, for every Hoghead of Four Hundred Weight, and upwards, so paid in Towns, to be deducted out of the Debt aforesaid, or pleadable in Bar of the Creditor.

Rights of former
Purchasers
confirmed.

VII. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That any Person or Persons, that have heretofore taken up any Lot or Lots, in either of the Towns, by Virtue of any former Law of this Province, and built thereon, according to the same former Law, they, and every of them, their Heirs and Assigns, shall have and enjoy a good and sure Estate and Inheritance to them, and their Heirs for ever, under the Rents and Services herein mentioned: And the several Lots, so built on, shall be deemed and taken as Part of the One Hundred Lots as aforesaid, and the same Town laid out as conveniently thereunto as may be.

Town-Common.

VIII. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That at the Town and Port at *Severn* in *Ann-Arundel* County, shall be bought, or valued by the Jury, as before in this Act is mentioned, all that Parcel or Neck of Land, within *Leavy-Neck-Cove* and *Acton's Cove*, lying and adjoining, or near, to the said Town Land as aforesaid, or so much thereof as by the Commissioners shall be found convenient, to be fenced in, and called *The Town-Common*, or *Pasture*, and Paid for, and Fenced in, at the Public Charge: And shall be for the public Use and Service, when Need shall require. And that the Inhabitants of the said Towns shall not raise any Stock of Cattle or Hogs, Horses or Sheep, more than what they can contain and raise upon their respective Lot or Lots, and not more, at the Discretion of the Commissioners of the said Towns.

Examined and Compared with the Record, REVERDY GHISELIN,
THOMAS BACON.

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Passed 18th
October 1694.

An Act empowering Richard Bishop, of Talbot County, Brother and Heir of William Bishop, late of Talbot County, Deceased, to sell and dispose of so much Land as will amount to Fifty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco, for the Payment of the Charges expended in recovering of the said Estate. Lib. LL. N^o 2. fol. 76. PR.

C H A P. X.

Ditto.

An Act for Tonnage, and ascertaining Naval Officers Fees. Lib. LL. N^o 2. fol. 79. REP.

The 3d. per Ton on Shipping is confirmed to the Governor, by 1704, ch. 88.

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