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And forasmuch as it many times happens especially in the winter Season that but two or three of the Comissioners doe meet and attend upon the dayes sett and appointed as aforesaid whereby all processe made Returnable to that Court doe fall & abate and the severall plaintiffs are forced to sue out new writts to the great Charge and delay of the suitors.

Bee itt therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid that any two or three of the Comissioners whereof one to be of the Quorum meeting as aforesaid bee hereby fully Authorized & empowred to adjourne the Court to some short time after as shall seeme to them meete and that noe suite shall for want of a full Court fall or abate but the same shall be Continued untill the next Court to be held according to such adjournment as aforesaid and that if the first day appointed by this Act for the holding of the severall and Respective Courts be not time enough to doe the businesse in that Court depending then the Justice of such Court are hereby Impowred to adjourne from day to day vntill such time as the businesse Returnable that Court shall be finished & whereas there haue some scruples arisen by the Comissioners of the Respective County Courts whether they shall doe any other businesse in every June Court in euery Respective year then what was Concerning Orphans the true intent & meaning of this Act is that the Comissioners of euery Respective County Court may and ought to doe heare Judge & determine any businesse depending in the said Court att the same June Court between any persons whatsoever as well as Relateing to any Orphants businesse

An Act against burners of fences

Whereas diverse of the Inhabitants of this Prouince haue suffered much damage by the Notorious evill practices of ill disposed and malicious persons burning their fences and noe Law yett made to provide for the deterring and punishing such offenders for preventing such dangers and punishing such malicious attempts for the future the good people of this Prouince doe humbly pray that itt may be enacted And Bee itt Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietary by and with the Consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall
p. 85 Assembly and by the Authority of the same That if any person or persons within this Prouince shall wilfully and maliciously burne and destroy any Corne field Pasture ground orchard or other fence or fences whereby any of the Inhabitants of this Prouince are harmed and endamaged the person soe offending being thereof Convicted by the Testimony of two sufficient wittnesses shall suffer such penalties or vndergoe