

Passed April } ACT relating to the Standard of Eng-
25th, 1715. } lish Weights and Measures.

THE Justices of the several County Courts shall at the Charge of their respective Counties, cause the Standards they already have to be made compleat, and to purchase new Standards, where they have none; and for their better Preservation, they shall take sufficient Security from the Person who shall by them be trusted with the keeping the Standard, in the penal Sum of *Fifty Pounds* Sterling, for the safe keeping such Standard, and the due Execution of his Office, as Standard Keeper, and for delivering the same in the like good Order he receives them, when legally discharged from such Trust, under the Penalty of *Five Hundred Pounds* of Tobacco on each Justice of the County Court omitting what is by this Act required, one half towards the Support of Government, the other half to the Informer or Suer for the same.

ALL Persons, whether Inhabitants or Foreigners, shall repair and bring their Still Yards, with which they weigh and receive their Tobacco, every Year to be tryed, stamped and numbered, for which they are to pay the Standard Keeper, *One Shilling* for each time they are tryed and stamped as aforesaid.

EVERY Person or Persons shall have their Bushel, half Bushel, Peck, Gallon, Pottle, Quart and Pint, if they make use of the same, or any of them, in buying or selling, duly tried and stamp'd at the Standard aforesaid, for which they are to pay *Six Pence* per piece, but such Measures as come stamp'd from *England*, need not be tried at the Standards.

WHOEVER sells by any dry Measures, without stamping, shall forfeit *Five Hundred Pounds* of Tobacco, and whoever shall weigh or receive any Tobacco by Stillards not tried or stamped for a Year before, shall forfeit *One Thousand Pounds* of Tobacco, one half for defraying the County Charge, the other half to the Informer.

IF any Person refuse to pay Tobacco by such Stillards tried within the Year, and shall thereby oblige the Owner to have them tried over again, if the Stillards are true, the Person refusing and compelling as above, shall pay for the new stamping, but if not, the Owner shall pay the same.

Passed April } ACT against Embezzlement of Wills
26th, 1715. } or Records within the Province.

IN Case any Person whatsoever shall be legally convicted by Confession or otherwise, of wilfully or corruptly imbezzling, impairing, raising or altering any Will or Record within the Province, whereby the Estate of Inheritance or Freehold of any Person whatsoever, shall be defaced, injured or any wise altered, such Person so convicted shall forfeit all his Goods and Chattels; Land and Tenements, the one half towards