

lie on the Person sued or prosecuted, to make appear where he, she, or they, disposed of such Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions.

VI. *AND be it likewise Enacted*, That all the Monies and other Things arising by the Forfeitures in this Act, except that Part to the Informers, shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Western Shore, to be by him accounted for to the General Assembly of this Province, from Time to Time, and to be by them applied towards his Majesty's Service, as to them shall seem needful. Forfeitures how to be disposed of.

VII. *AND* for the more effectual preventing the carrying Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions of any Kind, from the back Parts of this Province; *It is hereby Enacted*, That his Excellency *Horatio Sharpe*, Esq; or the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, issue his Proclamation, or Proclamations, to be published in the said Western Limits of this Province, charging all Officers, Civil and Others, to be aiding in the Prevention of carrying any Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions of any Kind, to the *French*, and their *Indian* Allies, contrary to the Tenor, true Intent, and Meaning of this Act, and requiring all his Majesty's Liege Subjects to discover, and make known to him, any Transgressions against this Act. Officers to prevent Provisions, &c. being carried to the French Westward.

VIII. *AND* for the better Encouragement of Persons to discover any Transgression of this Act; *It is hereby Enacted*, That any Person or Persons informing, or who shall inform, against any Person or Persons transgressing against this Act, shall have, and receive upon Conviction, one Moiety of all and every Forfeiture, or Forfeitures, herein before mentioned. Informers to have one Moiety of the Forfeitures.

IX. *PROVIDED always*, That in case any Person or Persons shall, or do, within this Province, load on board any Ship or Vessel, any Ammunition or Warlike Stores, Wheat, *Indian* Corn, Beans, or Provisions of any Kind, more than shall be necessary for the Use of such Vessel, it shall and may be lawful, to and for such Person or Persons, to carry the same to any Port belonging to the Kings of *Spain* or *Portugal*, in *Europe* or *Africa*, first giving Bond, with Surety as aforesaid, in the Sum aforesaid, conditioned that such Ammunition, Warlike Stores, Wheat, *Indian* Corn, Beans, or Provisions as aforesaid, shall be landed in some or one of the Ports aforesaid, and that a Certificate, under the Hand and Seal of the *British* Consul, or his Deputy, residing in such Port, returned in Eighteen Months to the Naval Officer taking such Bond, shall vacate the same; any Thing in this Act to the contrary thereof, in any wise notwithstanding. Provisions, &c. may be carried to Spain or Portugal.

X. THIS Act to continue until the Twentieth Day of *June*, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Five, and no longer. Continuance.

## An Act for the Relief of Inspectors, and Owners of Tobacco, and Others, who have suffered by Means of extraordinary Rains, and high Tides, and other Defects in the Inspection-Law.

I. **W**HEREAS by an Act entituled, *An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees*, it is directed, that in all Matters relating to the Expence of putting the said Act in Execution, the several Inspectors should annually lay before the Justices of the respective County Courts, fair and distinct Accounts of the Profit and Loss of their respective Warehouses, which Accounts the Justices shall settle and adjust; and that if the Profits shall over and above bear the Expences, that then the Overplus be applied to defray the Charge of the County. But no Provision is made by the said Act, in Case it should so happen that by Means of the small Quantity of Tobacco made in any County, there Preamble.