

C H A P.  
The Oath.

*You shall Swear (or Affirm), That you will, diligently and carefully, view and examine, all Tobacco brought to any public Warehouse, or Warehouses, where you are appointed to be Inspector, and all other Tobacco which you shall be called upon to view and inspect; and that you will not receive any Tobacco that is not, in your Judgment, sound, well-conditioned, merchantable, and clear of Trash; nor receive, pass, or stamp, any Tobacco, or Hogshead, Cask, or Case of Tobacco, prohibited by an Act of Assembly, entitled, An Act for amending the Staple of Tobacco, for preventing Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, and for the Limitation of Officers Fees; and that you will receive, pass, and stamp, all Tobacco that is sound, well-conditioned, merchantable, and clear of Trash, and in all Things well and faithfully discharge your Duty in the Office of an Inspector, according to the best of your Skill and Judgment, and according to the Directions of the said Act, without Fear, Favour, Affection, Malice, or Partiality. So help you God.*

Which Oath, or Affirmation, shall and may be taken before any one Justice of the Peace, for the County where such Inspector shall officiate, and by such Justice certified to the Vestry-men and Church-wardens of the Parish, and an Entry thereof made in the Book which the said Vestry are obliged to keep, by this Act. And if any Person shall presume to execute the Office of an Inspector, before he has given such Bond, and taken such Oath, or Affirmation, as aforesaid, as also the Oaths, or Affirmations, prescribed by Law to be taken to the Government, and subscribe the Oath of Abjuration and repeat and subscribe the Test. he shall forfeit and pay Eighty Thousand Pounds of Tobacco.

Times of the  
Inspectors  
Attendance.

X. And be it further Enacted, That all Inspectors to be appointed by Virtue of this Act, shall attend their Duty at the Warehouse, or Warehouses, under their Charge, from the first Day of *November* to the first Day of *April*, as often as required; and constantly from the said first Day of *April* to the last Day of *July*, yearly, (except Sundays and the Holidays observed at Christmas, Easter, and Whitsuntide, or when hindered by Sickness, or in such Cases wherein this Act shall otherwise provide): And afterwards, they, or one of them, shall constantly Attend at the same (except on Sundays) to deliver out Tobacco for Exportation, 'til all the Tobacco remaining there, the said last Day of *July*, shall be so delivered: And every Inspector neglecting to attend, as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay to the Party grieved, Sixty Pounds of Tobacco, for every Neglect, or shall be liable to the Action upon the Case of the said Party grieved, to recover all Damages which he or she shall have sustained, by Occasion of any such Neglect, together with his or her full Costs, at the Election of such Party. And all Inspectors shall uncase

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and break every Hogshead, Cask, and Case of Tobacco, brought to them to be Inspected, as aforesaid; and if the Inspectors or Inspector (where One only is appointed by this Act), shall be of Opinion, that the same is sound, well-conditioned, merchantable, and clear of Trash, then such Tobacco shall be weighed in Scales with Weights of the lawful Standard, and the Hogshead, Cask, or Case, shall also be weighed by the said Inspector or Inspectors, and stamp and marked with a hot Iron, on the Head and Bulge, in the Presence of the said Inspector or Inspectors, as the Case shall be, with the Name of the Warehouse at which the Tobacco therein contained, shall be viewed and inspected, as aforesaid, and also with the Tare of the Hogshead, Cask, or Case, and Quantity of nett Tobacco therein contained. But if at any House, for which by this Act two Inspectors are appointed, the said Inspectors shall at any Time disagree concerning the Quality of any Tobacco, brought for their Inspection to any Warehouse under their Charge, they shall, without Delay, or as soon as conveniently may be, call from the next adjacent Warehouse or Inspection, another Inspector, who shall determine the Difference, and pass, or reject, such Tobacco. And when any Inspector shall bring his own Tobacco to the Warehouse whereof he is Inspector, the same shall not be passed or stamped; unless it be first viewed, examined, and found good, and qualified as aforesaid, by the other Inspector there attending, or by one or both the Inspectors,

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