[Proclamation against Forestallers.]

Liber F. ffor preventing the Avaritious dessigns, of all Such as Shall p. 145 for private Lucre practise the Ingrossing fforestalling broking or Regrating of goods to the Common and publick damage and prejudice of the Inhabitants of the Province It is hereby prohibited and forewarned to all persons as well fforreignors as Inhabitants, that noe person whatsoever florestall contract bargain or bid price for any goods hereafter Imported or dessigned to be Imported into the Province to or with the owner of Such goods or any other to his use, nor receive or carry from aboard any Such goods, nor move or advise the owner of Such goods, to any price or certain rate to the prejudice of the Inhabitants, nor to import or utter them in the Province, or to unlade or utter the goods then in the Province, nor that any Such owner or other person importing any goods, Sell utter unlade or deliver any Such goods within the Province to any Such person afore or untill he have been with the Lieutenant General, or before leave published, to break bulk upon Such rates as Shall be agreed upon, and that after Such rates agreed upon and published by the Lieutenant General noe person buy Sell bargain or contract for any Such goods at higher rates than Shall be Soe agreed and published and that after any goods are arrived within the Province and rates published as afore noe person Ingross or buy to Sell again any Such goods out of any pinnace or less Vessell until 7 days nor p. 146 out of any Ship Or Greater Vessell untill 28 days at least after Such Ship or Pinace have had leave to break bulk, nor Sell or utter any goods Soe bought within the time aforesaid at higher Rates than the rates published for those goods, and that noe person whatsoever regrate or Sell again within this Province any goods bought in Virginia untill further leave or order from the Lieutenant General, And for the better Execucon hereof I doe hereby will and require the Sherriff of each County Imediatly upon the arrival of any Ship or other Vessel in any County to goe aboard the Same, and there to fix a Coppy of his proclamacon upon the Mast, and to use all means and authority requisite for an Officer to use, that the Same be duly observed by all persons whome it Shall concern and without further warrant to arrest and imprison any person or persons as Shall infringe or contemne the Same Whereof I require the Said Officers and all other persons to take notice upon perill of Such censure of Court as the Contempt and importance of it to the publick damage Shall deserve Given the 9th Novemb 1640:

Memorandum That the last foregoeing Proclamacon is Cross't out in the Orriginall Record book.