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Which Oath was accordingly Administred to and taken by M^r Thomas Grunwin Clerk of the Lower house and the same returned again to the Lower house by the same Messengers thus Subscribed Viz^t

April 26th 1682 Sworn in the Upper house
Signed p^r Order p^r John LLewellin Cl of Assembly—

This house then proceed further to Debate and Consider of the Act for preventing the unreasonable Tare of Cask and the Title thereof is thus Altered Viz^t

An Act Prohibiting the unreasonable Tare of Hogsheads and for punish: false Package of Tobacco—

And as to the first Article concerning the falling the Timber by the last of April every Year for Tobacco hhd^s Voted that the same take force from & after the 25th Day of September next under the Penalty of 400^l Tobacco for every hhd that shall be made of any other Timber then what shall be fallen as afores^d

• And as to the Second requiring Coopers to hew Such Timber so fallen as aforesaid into Staves and heading by the last Day of Iune in every year respectively Voted that the same also take force from and after the said 25th Day of September next under the Penalty of 400^l Tobacco for every hhd that shall be made of any other Timber than what shall be hewn out into Staves and heading by the time Limited to be equally recovered of the Cooper that Setts them up and the person for whom the Same are Sett up or either of them

p. 392 As to the third relating to the Tare of the Cask not to Exceed Eighty pounds weight the same to be under the same Penalty of 400^l Tobacco and to be equally recovered of the Cooper and Planter or either of them as aforesaid

As to the fourth relating to the false packing of Tobacco Voted that the same Continue under the penalty of one thousand pounds Tobacco as in the said Article is first Expressed and that this Article relating to false packing Tobacco take force from and after the 30th Day of Iuly next under the aforesaid Penalty, and the Hogshead of Tobacco be also Burnt as in the said Article is also before Expressed

Voted also that all fines in this Act Contained shall be payable one half to the Lord Proprietary the other half to the Informer or him or them that shall Sue for the Same

And to prove the Breach of this Act, Voted that any Peron going to receive Tobacco having in his Company one Person more shall draw out of any hogshead tendered him in pay four Samples two whereof he shall keep himself in his own Custody and other two he shall deliver to the other person