

Lib. W, H. in the third yeare of his Lōpps dominion in the yeare of o^r Lord 1678 Entituled An Act for regulateing Ordinaries & limiting the numb^r of them wthin this province. yet Notwithstanding the good provision thereby made against such exaction Experience of late hath found the same soe farr from remedying the said Abuse th^t many of them are growne more excessiue & outragious in their prices & to avoyd the penalty of the said Law doe refuse to deliuer when desired vnto their debtor vnder their hands the p^ticulars of the Liquors & accomodacōns had & receiued of them feareing the same should discouer their vnjust charge against the said Act & often times when the said debtors are overtaken in drink fraudulently obtaine bills vnder their hands & seales for such their debts vnjustly charged whereby their books are discharged w^{ch} otherwise in sueing the said accompt the said books in Court would discouer their illegall exaction by w^{ch} cunning devises they often avoyd the penalty of the said Law & much damnifie the said debto^{rs} to prevent w^{ch} abuses for the future Be it enacted by the right Hono^rable the Lord Prop^{ry} by & with the advice & consent of the vpper & lower houses of this p^rsent genll Assembly & the Authority of the same th^t from & after the twentieth day of Aprill in the Yeare of o^r Lord 1689 noe Ordinary keeper w^tsoever wthin this province for any debt due to him for Liquor or any other Ordinary accomodacōns shall take any bill bond or other security other then the acc^o charged in his booke for the same or recouer Judgm^t in any court of record wthin this Province for such debt till he hath before one Justice of the provincall or County Court or one Alderman of the Citty of S^t Maries first taken his corporall Oath th^t the p^ticulars of the said Acc^o are truely rated according to the rates & prices sett & Assessed by the Justices Impowred thereto by the aforemencōned Act of Assembly & th^t the same was sold & deliuered by order of the said debt^r to the said debtor or his appoyntm^t & th^t bona fide wthout fraud he bought the same Liquors for quallity as in his said Accompt he hath named them, & sold the same againe wthout any mixture or Imbasem^t other then what was ordered by the said debtor or wth his consent w^{ch} Oath soe taken shall be certified vnder the hand of such Justice of the Provin^l or County Court or Alderman of the Citty of S^t Maries before whome the same shall be taken & deliuered to the said debtor before any security be taken otherwise the said bills bonds & all other security shall be voyd & a perpetuall barr against the said credit^t or other then the said booke debt legally charged according to Act of Assembly as aforesaid for w^{ch} said certificate they shall pay to the Clarke the said Justice shall imploy