

Our readiness in laying the Fines proposed on ordinary Licences

2^d Be it Enacted . . . for which Licences (that is to say) for every Licence to keep ordinary in the City of Annapolis, the Sum of one thousand pounds of Tobacco to his Lordship; and at any other Place within this Province, the sum of Five hundred pounds of Tobacco p^r Ann.

3^d Liquors Rated and Tables publickly set up in the most Publick Places of their Houses (if not) under the Penalty of one thousand pounds of Tobacco to his Lordship his Heirs and Successors, to be applyed to a Publick School in the County, to be sued for in his Lordship's name. And on the Penalty of the Exacting more than Rated, forfeit and pay Five hundred pounds of Tobacco, half to his Lordship his Heirs &c^a to be applied as aforesaid, and the other half to the Informer. The Continuance of the Act to 1720.

Sessions April the 5th in 1720. This Act is revived and continued to 1721. At a second Sessions of Assembly the 11th of October in the same year 1720, the said Act was continued in force 'till 1723. And again by an Act in 1723 'till 1726—also by an Act in 1726 to the 29th of September next—'Tis Obvious that in 1664 Charles Calvert Esq^r Governor under Lord Cecilius, did in virtue of his Prerogative Grant Licence to several for the Term of three years. That in 1673 the same Governor Issued his Proclamation Directed to the Sheriffs of the Countys commanding the same Sheriffs to make Proclamation thro' their Bailywick (That the Governor being informed that several presumed to keep Ordinary without Licence therefore) that all Persons that kept ordinarys with Licence or without, should appear Personally before him at his House at Mattapeny the 10th of January next Ensuing and bring such Licence or Testimonials of the Commissioners of the Countys, or else they should be proceeded against as Persons that sell Drink and kept Ordinaries without Licence &c. That in May 1674 a Member of the Lower House moved the House—and upon Debate before the House thereon, It was Resolved to send a Message to his Excellency in whom they said, the whole Power of granting Licences was, to desire his Excellency's Pleasure, If that House should draw an Act—That no Person should have Licence But that he should give Bond to his Excellency with good Sureties to Provide Beds and keep Rules and order. His Excellency sends Answer and assures them for the Future no Licences should be granted but upon the Conditions desired by that House contained in their Message.