

Liber H. S. No. 1
 [Sheriffs
 to pay before
 the last of
 June]

the Sheriffs shall before the last day of June Yearly pay and deliver to each Creditor According to their respective Debts or Claims all the Inspector or Inspectors Notes or Money he hath received in Satisfaction thereof And if any Sheriff shall refuse or delay to make Payment Accordingly if required he or they so refusing or delaying shall forfeit and pay to the party Grieved double the Value of the Tobacco or Money so refused or delayed to be paid to be recovered with Costs if the Party Creditor only inclines to sue the Sheriff or Otherwise if he sue his Bond in this Case the Creditor shall only take his Debt Interest and Costs out of the Sheriffs Bond that shall be sued.

[Tobacco refused by the Inspectors, to be burnt; unless the owner desires to sort or pick it]

And be it Further enacted that when any Tobacco shall be Brought to any of the Publick Warehouses and refused by the Inspector or Inspectors there Officiating the same shall be immediately burnt by them unless the Owner or Person bringing such Tobacco desires to Sort and Seperate the same and to pick out such as is bad, in which Case the Inspector or Inspectors Shall Permit the same to be done at the Warehouse to which the said Tobacco shall be brought without fee or reward but shall not on any Pretence Suffer the said Tobacco to be removed or carried from the said Warehouse And the said Inspector or Inspectors shall Allow one Month for Seperating or Picking such Tobacco after which Time if the same be not done it shall be lawful for him or them to burn the whole except where the Tobacco is in a Sweat or where the Circumstances or Accidents of Weather may have Prevented the handling of it in which Case the Inspector or Inspectors shall Allow such further Time as he or they shall think Reasonable And where any Tobacco shall be Seperated and Picked as aforesaid the Trash and bad Tobacco shall be bound by the Inspector or Inspectors the same day it shall be Picked out under the Penalty of forfeiting fifty six Pounds of Tobacco for every failure to the informer and if any Tobacco packed in Casks

[The whole to be burnt, if not sorted in one month, except where it may be necessary to allow a longer time]
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[Overseers to make good all burnt Tobacco of their own making and packing]

by an Overseer or the Hands under his Care shall be burnt by the said Inspector or Inspectors by reason of its being bad unsound or not in Good Condition the Overseer who had the care of making and Packing the same shall bar the loss of the Tobacco so burnt and make Satisfaction for the same out of his Share of the Crop or Otherwise and the Inspector or Inspectors shall be Obliged to keep an Account of all Tobacco so burnt

[Frauds in his Majesty's Customs, how to be prevented]

And to the intent that the Just Quantity of Tobacco exported may be more exactly known and all evil Practices to defraud his Majesty of his Customs prevented Be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid that all and every Inspector or Inspectors shall Carefully enter in a Book to be Provided and kept for that Purpose the Marks Numbers Gross Nett Weight and Tare of all Tobacco Viewed and Stamped by him or them as aforesaid and in what Ships or Vessells