

article the produce of any of the United States, not included in the manifest as aforesaid, shall be found on board any such ship or vessel, after the same has been cleared out by the naval officer as aforesaid, the same shall be forfeited, and may be seized by such naval officer, or his deputy.

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XII. **And be it enacted,** That all masters or commanders of ships or vessels removing from one district to another to unlade any goods, wares or merchandise, or to take on board any cargo for exportation, shall produce a certificate of their entry, and shall not unlade any such goods, wares or merchandise, or take on board any part of their cargo, without first obtaining a permit from the naval officer of the district, and in case of neglect, the cargo unladen or laden from, or on board such ship or vessel, before such permit obtained, shall be forfeited, and may be seized as aforesaid; and all registered vessels carrying any goods, wares or merchandise, out of this state to the state of Virginia, or bringing them from thence, shall enter and clear; provided, nothing herein contained shall prevent any vessel of or under forty feet keel, and small boats, from sailing to Virginia with a proper permit, to be granted by some naval officer; and any vessel of or under forty feet keel, or small boat, which shall sail to the state of Virginia without such a permit, shall be forfeited, and may be seized as aforesaid, and the master or commander thereof shall forfeit fifty pounds current money.

Masters to
produce cer-
tificates, &c.

XIII. **And,** to prevent any small vessels trading to or from Virginia from running or smuggling any goods, wares and merchandise, into this state, or from on board any ship or vessel in the bay, to prevent the payment of any duty imposed by law, **Be it enacted,** That all vessels of or under forty feet keel, belonging to any citizen or citizens of this state, (the property whereof to be proved to the satisfaction of a naval officer,) shall be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall have a permit, under the hand and seal of a naval officer, in the following form, viz. "Maryland, to wit: Permission is hereby given for
" the vessel or boat called ——— the property of A. B. of this state, to sail
" from any port or place within this state, to any other port or place within the
" same, without being obliged to enter or clear, unless she shall have on board
" any articles subject to duty; this permit to continue for one year and no longer.
" Given under my hand and seal, this ——— day of ——— in the year 17----." And all small vessels or boats sailing from one district to another, without such permit, may be seized and forfeited; and all such vessels coming from any port or place out of this state, to any port or place within the same, shall be obliged to enter and clear.

Small vessels
to be record-
ed, &c.

XIV. **And be it enacted,** That the name of any ship or vessel registered according to law, shall not be changed without renewing her register and paying a duty upon her tunnage; and if the property of any registered ship or vessel shall be transferred, or the master thereof changed, such transfer or change shall be certified upon the back of her register by the naval officer of the port or place where the same shall happen.

Name not to
be changed,
&c.

XV. **And be it enacted,** That if the register of any ship or vessel, granted by any naval officer of this state, shall be lost or mislaid, if any master or other person having the charge of such ship or vessel, and one of the owners thereof, shall make oath or affirmation before his excellency the governor, or in his absence before the president of the council, that the ship or other vessel was, as they verily believe, registered agreeably to law, and that the register of such ship or vessel was casually lost or mislaid, and that they cannot find the same, and do not know where it is, or what hath become of it, and that the same hath not been, nor shall be with their consent or knowledge, sold or disposed of to any person or persons, and that no subject of any state at war or enmity with this state, or the United States, or any of them, hath, to their knowledge or belief, directly or indirectly, any share, property, or interest therein; and shall give bond, with good and sufficient security, in the penalty of one thousand pounds, conditioned, that the register, if found, shall be delivered to the governor of this state to be cancelled, and that no illegal use has been or shall be made thereof,

In case of loss
new register
to be granted;
&c.

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