

Majesties Governour being hereby obliged to find Officers, who shall give good and sufficient Security to such their Majesties Governour as aforesaid for due Execution of the promises and that they shall not after demand or exact from any Master for clearing as aforesaid any fee or gratuity or Reward whatsoever or him delay in his Dispatch in Exportation of a fee or gratuity or Reward as aforesaid to be by such master tendered for the reasons and causes aforesaid but that every such Officer or Officers so nominated and appointed as aforesaid being guilty of the promises upon due proofs thereof made shall for every such default forfeit and pay the sum of Twenty pounds Sterling and half thereof to our Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen for Support of Government the other half to the party grieved to be recovered by action of Debt bill plaint or information wherein no Stay nor Protection or wager of Law to be allowed Provided always and it is the true intent and meaning of this Act that no Inland sloop trading from Virginia hither or from hither to Virginia and no farther shall be by this Act or any thing herein contained obliged to pay the said sum of forty shillings Sterling for such their entries clearing as aforesaid but that the Master of every such sloop so trading as aforesaid shall at the time of his clearing such sloop as aforesaid pay unto their Majesties Governour for the time being the sum of ten shillings Sterling and no more for such his entry permit and clearing as aforesaid any thing in this Act before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding Provided also that this Act nor any thing herein contained shall be adjudged construed or taken to extend to the fees due to the severall Collectors within this Province but that they and every of their perquisites be and remain to them as before the making of this Act any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Act for the one shilling and two pence tunnage

1637. Whereas by an Act of Assembly formerly made intituled an Act for Port Duties and Masters of ships amongst other things therein contained It was enacted that all vessels not properly belonging to this Province having a Deck flush fore and aft coming in and trading within this Province should pay for port duties or Anchorage half a pound of powder and three pound of shot or so much in value for every tenn of berthing unto the Lord Proprietor