

the Authority of the same, that if any person who is become Bankrupt in *England* and hath imported into this Province any Cargo of Goods & Merchandizes and the same consigned to any his Factor or Agent in this Province who hath not accounted on shall not have accounted for such Cargo to his principal (that is to say) to the Bankrupt aforesaid before an Action of Account be brought against such Factor or Agent by the Commissioner of Bankrupt or before a legal demand made to have account of such cargo to the said Commissioner by the Agent Factor or Attorney of such Commissioner that the Commissioners of Bankrupts by vertue of this Act may compell such Factor or Agent to account to them as he should have done to the Principal, and the Commissioners of Bankrupt shall be adjudg'd deem'd & taken to have the same right to such goods & cargo and the produce of the same as they have to any the goods and wares of the said Bankrupt in *England*.

Provided allways that no such Commission shall be put in ure or executed before such Factor of such Commissioners of Bankrupts put in good security to satisfie the debts contracted in this Province by such Bankrupt Merchant his Factor or Factors under the credit of such cargo or cargo's of goods imported which are hereby supos'd to be all such debts as shall be contracted by such Bankrupt Merchant his Factor or Factors after importation of such cargo or cargoes,

An Act imposing nine pence per gallon on Rum Spirits Wine & Brandy imported by Land from Pennsylvania into this Province.

RE. it Enacted by the Queens most Excellent Majesty by & with the Advice and Consent of her Majestys Governour Council & Assembly of this Province & the Authority of the same, that from & after the end of this present Sessions of Assembly the Importer or Importers of Rum Spirits Wine & Brandy from *Pennsylvania* and the territories thereto belonging by Land shall for every gallon of the said liquors imported into this Province by Land pay unto the Queens Majesty her Heirs and Successors for defraying the publick charges of this Province to be collected by the Naval Officer of *Cecil* County District for the time being or his sufficient deputy the sum of nine pence Sterling currant Money of this Province in ready Money and shall bring the same into this Province to the place commonly called *Bohemia* Landing and to no other under penalty of forfeiting to the Queens Majesty her Heirs & Successors all such before mentioned liquors which shall be brought to any other place or the value thereof in ready money one moiety of the said forfeiture to the Queens Majesty her Heirs & Successors for the support of the government of this Province the other moiety to the informer to be recover'd in any Court of Record in this Province by Action of Debt Bill Plaint or Information wherein no Essoyn Protection or Wager of Law to be allow'd.

And to the End that the said nine pence per gallon may be exactly paid & collected Be it Enacted by the Authority Advice & Consent aforesaid, that before the said Liquors shall be water-born in *Chesapeake* Bay the importer or importers shall make Entry thereof upon Oath with the Naval Officer of *Cecil* County District of the number of casks & the contents thereof which Oath the said Naval Officer by vertue of this Act shall have authority to administer and of the full contents the said Naval Officer may abate twenty per Cent. for leakage & other damage to be sustain'd.

And be it further Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that if the importer or importers aforesaid after he hath brought the said liquors to *Bohemia* Landing aforesaid shall put the said liquors on board any Vessel in *Chesapeake* Bay or any the Rivers Creeks or Harbours thereto belonging before the duty aforesaid shall be paid in ready Money as aforesaid, that then the importer or importers shall forfeit the said Liquors or value thereof in ready Money to the uses aforesaid to be recover'd as aforesaid.

And be it further Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that when the importer or importers aforesaid have made fair Entry as aforesaid & paid the duty as aforesaid in ready money as aforesaid, that then the Naval Officer shall give the said importer a Permit to carry the same to any River Creek or Harbour or Port or Place of this Province to make sale of the same.

Provided allways that if any person or persons shall import any the liquors aforesaid from *Pennsylvania* aforesaid in Sloops or other Vessels by Sea through the Capes of *Chesapeake* into this Province, that then such importer or importers shall only pay the duty of three pence per gallon as others do and after the same manner as is mentioned in a certain Act of Assembly of this Province Intituled *an Act imposing three pence per gallon on Rum & Wine and twenty Shillings per Poll for Negroes for raising a supply to defray the publick charge of this Province, and twenty Shillings per Poll for Irish Servants to prevent the importing too great a number of Irish Papists into this Province.*

And be it further Enacted by the authority advice & consent aforesaid, that the Naval Officer aforesaid for the said duty of nine pence per gallon aforesaid shall account