

Acknowledgment of his Lordship's Goodness, and the Benefits. We have received by such his Lordship's Administration, and that it may be Enacted,

And be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governour, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and by the Authority of the same, That from

County Justices to grant Licences and how.

and after the Publication hereof, the Justices of each County, in Court sitting, be and are hereby Impowered and Authorized, from time to time, as often as need shall require, to grant Licences to such Person or Persons as they shall think fit to be Ordinary-Keepers and Inn-holders, for keeping Ordinaries and Houses of Entertainment, so long a Time, and in such and so many Places in their several and respective Counties, for the Ease and Convenience of the Inhabitants, Travellers and Strangers, as to them respectively shall seem meet, for which Licences the said Persons, that shall be so Licenced to keep Ordinaries, as aforesaid, shall at the Time of his and their taking such Licences, enter into Recognizance to his Lordship, the Lord Proprietary, for the Payment of the several and respective Sums following, (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, for every Year such Person shall keep Ordinary, as aforesaid, to be paid as aforesaid; for which said Licence and Recognizance the Party or Parties taking the same shall pay to the Clerk of each respective County Court, the Sum of Thirty Pounds of Tobacco, and no more.

Recognizances to pay the Fines.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Justices of the several County Courts, be, and are hereby Authorized and Impowered at their several County Courts in the Month of August yearly, or oftener as they shall think fit, and every Year having Summoned each respective Ordinary keeper within their respective Counties, then and there to set and Assess the Rates and Prices of all Liquors and other Accommodations whatsoever, by them the said Ordinary Keepers to be Vended, for the Year ensuing, and so yearly and every Year; which Rates and Prices of all Liquors so to be Set and Assessed, Limited and appointed by the Justices aforesaid, shall be by their several and respective Clerks transcribed and set up at the several and respective County Courts in some Publick Places there, that every Person or Persons may peruse the same, the Copy of which Table of Prices of Liquors and Accommodations, every Ordinary Keeper within each County, are hereby obliged to transcribe fairly, and keep the same set up in the most publick Places of their Houses, for the perusal of all Persons that receive any Ordinary Accommodations from them, under the Penalty of One Thousand Pounds of Tobacco to his Lordship, his Heirs and Successors, to be applied towards the Maintaining a publick School in such County where such Fines shall become due, to be sued for on Non-Payment thereof, in his Lordship's Name; for which Summons and Table of Prices every Ordinary Keeper shall pay to such Clerk the Sum of Twenty Pounds of Tobacco, and no more; and every Ordinary Keeper or Inn-holder that shall, after the setting up and Assessing the Rates and Prices aforesaid, directly or indirectly, take, exact, demand or receive for the Price and Pay for any such Liquors, or other Accommodations, for which the Rates and Prices shall be Assessed and set, as aforesaid, of any Person or Person whatsoever, above the Rates and Prices so Set and Assessed, as aforesaid, shall for every such Account sued for, taken or received, forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, one half thereof

Rates of Liquors to be assessd.

And Publickly set up by the Clerk.

And Ordinary Keepers.

On pain 1000 l. Tobacco to Schols

Clerk's Fees.

Penalty of Exacting more than rated.