

the Use aforesaid, and the other half to the Informer, or to him or them that shall sue for the same, to be recovered as aforesaid.

And whereas it has been found prejudicial to the Inhabitants of this Province, that Ordinary Keepers and Inn-holders have frequently entertained divers Free-men and Loose Persons a great Time Tippling at their Houses, as well to the great Damage of many Persons, as their own Ruin,

Ordinary keepers
not to Entertain
loose Persons.

Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the Advice and Consent aforesaid, That it shall not be Lawfull for any such Ordinary Keeper or Inn-holder to keep such Ordinary or House of Entertainment until they have entred into Recognizance before the Justices of each respective County-Court, granting such Licences, with two sufficient Sureties, to the value of *Twenty Pounds Sterling*, That they shall not entertain any Free-men or loose Person in their Houses above twenty four Hours (Court times excepted) unless such Persons be capable to give his Vote for a Delegate in the said County, or that he be retained as a Servant to the said Ordinary-Keeper or Inn-holder, nor shall entertain any other Person whatsoever, that shall be Noted to such Ordinary-Keeper as a Common-Tippler, by the Justice of such County-Court, any Law, Usage or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

But must give Security, as directed,
not to Entertain
loose Persons.

Of common tippler

And whereas daily experience shews the great Prejudice to the Owners and Masters of Merchant's Ships and Vessels trading into this Province, by Ordinary Keepers entertaining of Sailors and others to such Ships and Vessels belonging, and trusting and encouraging them to continue Tippling in their Houses, to the prejudice of Trade within this Province, perverting and impeding the dispatch of such Ships and Vessels, and very often when such Sailors have spent all their Wages in such Ordinaries, it occasions and induces them to Run away and desert the Ships and Vessels whereto they belong. For the Prevention whereof,

As to Sailors

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 no Ordinary-keeper whatsoever within this Province shall presume to harbour or entertain such Sailors to the neglect of their Service to their respective Commanders, and prejudice to the dispatch of any Ship or Vessel thereby, under the pain and Penalty of being suspended from keeping such Ordinaries. And that no Ordinary-Keeper whatsoever shall credit any such Sailor for more than *Five Shillings* during any One Voyage, under Penalty of loosing his Debt, and being fined to his Lordship, his Heirs and Successors *Five Pounds Sterling*, whereof One half to be applyed as aforesaid, the other half to the Informer or him or them that sues for the same, to be recovered as aforesaid.

They are not to
be Entertained.

On pain of sus-
pension.

Not to Credit for
more than 5 s.

On pain of 5 l.

And Lastly, It is hereby *Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, by and with the advice and consent aforesaid,* That the Justices of the Provincial Court, and the Justices of the respective County-Courts shall give this Act in Charge to the several Grand Juries, and to their several and respective Constables, in their said Counties, to inquire into the Breach of this Act, and into all Disorders committed in the said Ordinaries, and present the same, if any be, to the Several Courts, to be examined and punished according to Law.

How this Act to
be given in charge

And whereas one half of the Forfeitures in this Act, is appointed to be appropriated towards the Use of a Publick-School in each County; and Forasmuch as at present there is few Counties that have, as yet, any Publick-School in them,

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