

this Province, *Provided* the Owners of the said Ships or Vessels do all actually reside in the same,

And be it further Enacted, That all and every the Collectors and Naval Officers of this Province shall receive such Fees as aforesaid, and no more; and shall make a fair Table of their Fees, and put up in their several Offices, under the Penalty of Fifty Pounds Sterling, the One Half thereof to the Lord Proprietary, for the Support of His Lordship's Government, and the other Half to the Informer, or to him or them that shall sue for the same; to be recovered in any Court of Record within this Province, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Esloyn, Protection or Wager of Law to be allowed.

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An ACT for the Publication of Marriages, and to prevent unlawful Marriages.

BE it Enacted, by the Right Honourable, the Lord Proprietary, by and with the advice and Consent of His Lordship's Council, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and by the Authority of the same, That all Persons who desire Marriage, shall apply themselves to a Minister for the Contracting thereof, and shall cause due Publication to be made, according to the Rubrick of the Church of England, of their Intent to Marry, at some Church or Chappel of Ease belonging to the Parish wherein the Woman, so intended to be Married, shall be resident: And in case there be no Minister, Curate or Reader in such Parish, an Advertisement or publick Notification of such intended Marriage shall be let up at the Court-House Door of the County where such Marriage shall be intended, there to remain for the Space of Three Weeks, at least; of which Advertisement put up as aforesaid, the Clerk of the County-Court, where such Advertisement shall be so put up, shall make a Certificate under his Hand, and the Seal of the County; and that it shall and may be lawful after such Publication and Certificate thereof had, for any Minister, duly qualified, to joyn together in Matrimony any such Persons so Published, according to the Liturgy of the Church of England, saving to the Minister of the respective Parishes where such Publication shall be made, their just Dues for such Marriages. And if any Person presume to contract marriage, without such Publication and Certificate thereof had, as aforesaid, or without particular Licence from the Governour, for the Time being, do privately contract Marriage, every Man so contracted or married shall be liable to a Fine of Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; and every such Minister joyning in Marriage any Persons without Publication or Licence, or any ways infringing this Act, shall be liable to a Fine of Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco; One Half of the said Fines to the Lord Proprietary, His Heirs and Successors, for the Support of Government of this Province, the other Half to the Informer; to be recovered in any Court of Record, by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint or Information, wherein no Esloyn, Protection or Wager of Law to be allowed. And for the more effectual avoiding Secrecy, and clandestine Marriages,

Persons desiring Marriage, to apply to a Church of England Minister for Publication according to the Rubrick, in the Parish where the Woman lives. If no Minister how then.

And then be Married according to Liturgy.

Paying Dues to the proper Minister. Persons otherwise Married, to forfeit Five Thousand Pounds of Tobacco. And the Person Marrying, the like.

To prevent Clandestine Marriages.

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