

officer, before he shall proceed to the nomination and appointment of said officer, shall take the following oath or affirmation, before some justice of the peace in Kent-county, or each before the other, viz. "I, A. B. do swear or affirm, that I will faithfully, honestly, and impartially, nominate and appoint such person to be inspector of salted provisions, within the said port of Chester, as I think in my judgment and conscience is fit and capable of executing the said office." And in case of the death, &c. of the said person so appointed inspector of salted provisions, his vacancy shall be filled up in the manner and as is herein before directed and provided in the case of inspector of flour, (*See flour and bread, art. 46.*) *ibid.* §. 7.

55. All and singular the sections, clauses, and provisions, contained in the aforesaid act, entitled an act for the inspection of salted provisions exported and imported from and to the town of Baltimore, (*See above art 8.*) shall be, and they are hereby extended to the port of Chester, and to the regulation of the inspection of salted provisions within the said port, in as full and ample a manner as if the same had been herein particularly specified and mentioned.—*ibid.* §. 9.

56. For the oath to be taken by the inspector of salted provisions appointed for the port of Chester, and his allowance, see *oath of office.* art. 44.

See Gauge of barrels.

B A I L.

EXCESSIVE bail ought not to be required.—Decl. 22.—See *attachment*, 30, 39.—*Execution*, 4.—*Small debts*, 1, 2.

B A I L B O N D S.

1. **T**HE sheriff shall not, in any action of trespass upon the case, take a bail bond exceeding 8,000lb. tobacco, where no declaration is sent with the writ, although the damages be laid for any greater sum whatsoever than 4000lb. tobacco, on penalty of 4000lb. tobacco; one half to the support of government, the other half to the party grieved.—1715, c. 46, §. 3.

2. All and every sheriff of this state, and their deputies, may take bail bonds of all persons taken by them on any criminal writ, for any offence