

1745. AUGUST.

CHARLES LORD BALTIMORE.

C H A P.
XV.
For packing,
&c. contrary to
this act.

IV. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That whatsoever person or persons from and after the said first day of October, shall pack pork or beef for sale in any barrel or barrels made and set up contrary to this act in size, gauge and dimensions, or shall in any barrel or barrels pack less pork or beef than this act requires; that is to say, sufficient to make each barrel hold out at sale or exportation, the quantity directed by this act to be the net quantity and contents of a barrel of pork, or barrel of beef, all and every such person or persons shall, for every such barrel, forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings current money.

For selling, &c.

V. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That whatsoever person or persons, from and after the first day of October, which shall be in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty-six, shall barter away, bargain for or sell, or expose or offer to sale, in any way, within this province, any pork or beef in any barrel or barrels made or set up contrary to this act, in size, gauge and dimensions, or shall barter away, bargain, sell or expose or offer to sale, in any way whatsoever as aforesaid, any barrel or barrels of pork, of less net contents in pork, or any barrel or barrels of beef, of less net contents in beef, than this act directs, all and every such person or persons shall, for every such barrel, forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings current money.

For selling tar,
&c.

VI. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid, That whatever person or persons, from and after the said first day of October, shall barter away, bargain or sell, or expose or offer to sale, in any way whatsoever, within this province, any tar, turpentine or pitch, in any barrel or barrels, made and set up contrary to this act in size, gauge and dimensions, or shall barter away, bargain or sell, or expose to or offer to sale, in any way whatsoever as aforesaid, any barrel or barrels of pitch, filled up with other than good, true made, merchantable pitch, or any barrel or barrels of tar or turpentine, filled up with other than good merchantable tar or turpentine, shall, for every such barrel of pitch, not qualified according to the direction of this act, forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings current money, and for every such barrel of tar or turpentine, the sum of two shillings and six pence current money.

For importing
contrary to this
act.

VII. AND, whereas it often happens that beef, pork, pitch, tar and turpentine, are imported into this province in barrels from other neighbouring parts; for prevention of frauds and abuses therein, BE IT ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That whatsoever person or persons, from and after the said first day of October, shall import or bring into this province, by land or water, any pork, beef, tar, turpentine or pitch, in barrel or barrels of less size, gauge and dimensions, than this act directs, or any barrel or barrels of pork of less net contents in pork, or any barrel or barrels of beef of less net contents in beef, than this act directs, or any barrel or barrels of tar or turpentine, filled up with other than good merchantable tar or turpentine, or any barrel or barrels of pitch, filled with other than good, true made, merchantable pitch, and shall within this province, bargain away, barter or sell, or expose or offer to sale, in any way whatsoever, to any person or persons whatsoever, such barrel or barrels of beef, pork, pitch, tar or turpentine, or any of them; all and every such person or persons shall be liable to and pay the forfeitures and penalties in this act mentioned, for every barrel bartered away, bargained or sold, or exposed or offered to sale, contrary to this act.

And for pack-
ing in barrels
not truly mark-
ed, &c.

VIII. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That any person or persons whatsoever within this province, who shall, after the said first day of October, pack into any barrel or barrels flour, or into any barrel or barrels or other cask, bread for sale, and shall not put on the bulge of such barrel or barrels, cask or casks, the just and true tare of such barrel or barrels, cask or casks, with marking irons, in plain figures, and shall, without such marking of the tare aforesaid, on the bulge of every such barrel or barrels, cask or casks, expose such barrel or barrels of flour, or barrel or barrels, cask or casks of bread, to sale, without the true tare of such barrel or barrels, cask or casks, being marked on the bulge as aforesaid, shall, for every such barrel or cask so exposed to sale contrary to this act, forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings current money.

Actions, when
to be com-
menced.

IX. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority aforesaid, That all or any action or actions to be brought, or complaint made to a justice of the peace, as the case may require, for any breach or breaches of this act, shall be commenced or made within fifteen days next after the offence or offences committed, or discovery made of the same, and not after.

Penalties, how
to be recovered.

X. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, by the authority, advice and consent aforesaid, That all the penalties and forfeitures in this act before mentioned shall and may be recovered with costs in any county court of this province, in the name of the lord proprietary and the informer, by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, in which no esoin, protection or wager of law shall be allowed, or before a