

Tobacco which should be at any time hereafter shipped
to be Exported out of this Province on Condition that his
Lordship should receive his Rents and fines for Alienation of Lands in
Good Sound Merchantable Tobacco when tendered at the Rate of Six
pence per pound for one Moiety of the said Imposition the other Moiety
by the said Act raised to be Employed towards the Maintaining a Customs
Magazine and defraying other publick and necessary Charges of the
Government, And whereas the Freeman of this Province now assembled
upon strict Scrutiny made into the premises do find his said Lordship hath
not onely been very deficient and at small Charges and Expences in Main-
-taining a Magazine as aforesaid, but that this Province hath been oblig'd
to defray all publick Charges arising for the Supporte of Government by way of
an Equall Assessment upon the Inhabitants thereof the several Provisions
afore recited act to the contrary notwithstanding, And whereas also his said
Lordship the aforesaid Moiety of Two Shillings per Tonne under pretext of Maintaining
a Magazine as aforesaid hath hitherto converted the same to his own
use to the Impoverishing of the Country and defraude of the publick and being
now incapacitated of complying with what by the said Act for the said Moiety
of Two Shillings per Tonne is required Be it therefore En-
-acted by the King and Queen's most Excellent Majesties by and
with the Advice and Consent of this present Generall Assembly and the
Authority of the same, That the said one Shilling per Tonne for y^e defraying
the Charges of Governm^t aforesaid Commencing from this present Shipping
well for such Ships or Vessels as have already Cleared before the
of this Act as for such remaining in this Province be raised levied
and paid unto our Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and
Excellent Majesties their heirs and Successors for the Supporte of
for the time being in and over this their Majesty's Province