

hogshead or hogsheds of tobacco on board of his said Ship or Vessel on
 Freight and shall either by himselfe or any other officer or person on
 board his said Ship or Vessel under his Command Cut or suffer any hogsheds
 or hogsheds of tobacco to be Cut Cropped or Lessened in their Length or
 breadth or by any other ways or means abused defaced or Impaired that
 then and in every such case such master of Ship or Vessel for every
 hogsheds of tobacco so Cut or suffered to be cut Cropped or Lessened in
 their Length or breadth abused defaced or Impaired to be proved by the
 oaths of any sufficient person to whom the Tobacco is Committed in
 Great Brittain or other sufficient Witnesses taken before any Magis-
 trate and a Certificate thereof made by any Notary Publick or Magis-
 trate and sent hither under his hand and Seal or by any other
 Legall proof whatsoever made in this province or Elsewhere shall forfeit
 and pay a Summe of Six hundred pounds of tobacco or fifty Shillings Sterl
 to the party Grieved to be recovered in any Court of records in this province
 against such master or his Securityes by action of Debt or any other Case within
 two years after the date of the bill or bills of Lading of such tobacco

And be it Enacted by the authority aforesaid that the Security or
 Securityes of any master of a ship or Vessel within this province shall
 be liable to make Satisfaction according to this Act for the Cropping
 Cutting abusing Defacing or Impairing of any hogsheds or hogsheds
 of tobacco as aforesaid and prosecuted for the same in any Court of records
 within this province that can hold pleas thereof and that every Naval
 officer within this province shall on paine of fifty Shillings Sterling
 Certifie under his hand and Seal who are the Security or Securityes of any
 such master which shall be a sufficient Evidence in any Court of records
 where such action is Commenced to prove who are the Security or Securityes
 of such master for which Certificate the Naval officer may have and
 receive one shilling and no more and that the said and respective
 Naval officers within this province shall hang a fair Copy of this Act
 in their respective offices for the perusal of all masters of ships and Vessels
 the said Naval officer to have and receive for the said Copy one hundred
 pounds of tobacco to be allowed in the County Levy, Altho forasmuch as
 by the Enlargement of the Tobacco hogsheds from the Late Gauge of
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