

and for what Uses; and the same Accounts return to the next General Assembly.

How the said Money is to be replaced in the Office.

And that the public Faith and Credit of this Province may be supported, and for the more effectual and speedy Replacing and Repayment of the said Sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred Pounds into the Office of the Commissioners or Trustees for emitting Bills of Credit, established by Act of Assembly; *Be it Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid*, That from and after the End of this Session of Assembly, the Justices of each County in Court sitting be, and are hereby empowered and authorized from time to time, as often as need shall require, to grant Licenses to such Person or Persons as they shall think fit, being Persons of good Repute, to be Ordinary-keepers and Inn-holders, for keeping of Ordinaries and Houses of Entertainment in such and so many Places within their several and respective Counties, for the Ease and Conveniency of the Inhabitants, Travellers, and Strangers, as to them respectively shall seem meet; for which Licenses the said Persons that shall be so licensed to keep Ordinary as aforesaid shall, at the Time of his, her, or their taking such License, pay the several Sums following; that is to say, For every License to keep Ordinary in the City of *Annapolis*, the Sum of Five Pounds Current Money; and for every License to keep Ordinary at any other Place within this Province, the Sum of Fifty Shillings Current Money; for every Year such Person shall keep Ordinary as aforesaid.

Ordinary-Licenses to commence and be renewed every August Court.

*And be it further Enacted*, That during the Continuance of this Act, all Ordinary-Licenses shall commence and be renewed at every *August* Court, on pain that any Person or Persons then omitting or neglecting to renew their License, and shall continue to sell Liquor as an Ordinary-keeper, shall be liable to all the Penalties mentioned in this Act, against Persons selling Liquors without License; and it shall also be lawful for the Justices to refuse granting such Persons Licenses for that Year: And if they shall think fit to grant the same at the next or other Court following, the said Ordinary-keepers shall pay the full annual Charge for such License. *Provided*, That any Person, not having before had a License to keep Ordinary, may at any Court, other than *August* Court, have License granted, if the Justices see fit, but to continue no longer than the *August* Court following, when it shall determine, and may be renewed as others; for taking of which Licenses the Ordinary-keeper shall pay only in proportion to the Time between his taking such License and *August* Court aforesaid. *Provided also*, That any Person now having License to keep Ordinary, which shall expire before *August* Court, seventeen hundred forty and six, may also be allowed to take out further License until the said *August* Court, paying for such License a Fine only in proportion to the Time as aforesaid.

Proviso.

*And be it further Enacted*, That all and every Person taking Ordinary Licenses as aforesaid shall, at the Time of having such License granted, pay to the Sheriffs of the respective Counties where such Person or Persons shall inhabit, the Fine or Sum to be paid for Ordinary-Licenses before

Duty of the Sheriffs in regard to Ordinary-keepers.