

*An additional Supplementary Act to the Act, entitled, An Act for issuing and taking out of the Office of the Commissioners or Trustees appointed for Emitting Bills of Credit, established by Act of Assembly, the Sum of 4500*l.* Current Money, for Encouragement of such able-bodied Freemen as shall voluntarily Enlist themselves into his Majesty's Service, for the intended Expedition against Canada; and for maintaining and conveying them to the Place of Rendezvous; as also for replacing of the said Sum, and for the better regulating Ordinaries and Ordinary-Keepers; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.*

Preamble.

I. **W**HEREAS it is represented to this General Assembly, That the Laws heretofore made, to prevent and restrain any Person or Persons within this Province, not having obtained a Licence to sell or retail spirituous Liquors in small Quantities, are insufficient for that Purpose, and that such Practices not only encourage many People, especially of the poorer Sort, to loiter and waste their Time in Rioting and Drunkenness, to the great Damage of themselves and Families, but also are of manifest Prejudice and Discouragement to several licenced Ordinary-Keepers, who, at this Time, for their Licences, pay a considerable Sum towards defraying the public Charge. And whereas it is become a common Practice for Persons of low Character, as well Ordinary-Keepers as others, the better to make a Profit on the Sale of strong and spirituous Liquors, to advertise, and hold what they call Fairs, or make Horse Races, thereby drawing together many idle and disorderly People, especially the Negroes and Servants living near the Place or Places where such Fairs are kept and held, to the great Prejudice of the Masters or Owners of such Negroes and Servants, and to the manifest Encouragement of Licentiousness and Debauchery: For Remedy whereof, it is prayed that it may be enacted,

30*s.* Penalty for selling Liquor, except by Persons licenced.

II. *AND be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That from the first Day of March, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Eight, it shall not be lawful for any Person or Persons whatsoever, not being licenced to keep Ordinary, to sell any Quantity of Rum, Brandy, Cyder, or other spirituous Liquors, or any mixt Drink, in which is contained any such spirituous Liquor, and suffer the same, or any Part thereof, to be drunk in or about his, her or their House or Houses, or on his, her or their Plantation or Plantations, under the Penalty of Thirty Shillings Current Money, for every Quantity of such spirituous Liquors, or mixt Drink, sold at one Time, to one or more Persons, and suffered to be drunk as aforesaid.*

Not at Court-Houses or Musters.

III. *AND be it further Enacted, That from and after the said first Day of March, in the Year 1758, if any Person or Persons, other than licenced Ordinary-Keepers, shall presume to sell or dispose of any Quantity of such spirituous Liquors, or mixt Drink, at or near the Court-House of any County in this Province, during the Sitting of the County Court, or Court-Martial, or at any other public Time, or at or near the Place of any Muster, or Training of the Militia, such Person or Persons, so offending, shall, for every Quantity of such spirituous Liquors, sold to one or more Persons, at one Time, either mixt or otherwise, forfeit and pay the Sum of Thirty Shillings Current Money, to be recovered before one Magistrate, as in Case of small Debts, and applied as herein after directed. Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained, shall be construed to prohibit any Merchant, or Person keeping Store for Sale of Merchandize, residing at any Court-House within this Province, from retailing Liquors, so as such Liquors be not drunk, or intended to be drunk, at the House, Store, or Place, where the same shall be sold.*

Provido as to Merchants retailing.

IV. *AND*