

Brandy, have been clandestinely imported into this Province, without the Payment of any Duty, to the great Discouragement of the fair Trader:

Part of an Act
Repealed.

II. *BE it therefore 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 so much of an Act of Assembly, entitled, An Act Repealing Part of an Act, entitled, An Act laying an Imposition on Negroes and several Sorts of Liquors imported; and also on Irish Servants, to prevent the Importing too great a Number of Irish Papists into this Province, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis the Sixth Day of October, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-four, as imposes a Duty on Rum, Spirits, Wine and Brandy, from Pennsylvania by Land, be, and is hereby Repealed.*

Rum, &c. im-
ported by Land
from Pennsylv-
ania, to be enter-
ed with the Na-
val-Officer or
Sheriff; and 3d.
per Gallon Duty
to be paid.

III. *AND be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Importer or Importers of all Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, that shall after the Eleventh Day of June, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, be imported into this Province by Land from the Province of Pennsylvania, or the Three Lower Counties of New-Castle, Kent and Sussex, or the reputed Limits of the said Province or Counties, shall, before he imports the same, make an Entry thereof with some Naval-Officer or Sheriff within this Province, for the Time being, into or through whose District or County the same shall be intended to be first imported; and at the Time of Entering the said Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, shall pay to the said Naval-Officer or Sheriff, the Sum of Three Pence Current Money, for every Gallon of Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, so intended to be imported, or give good Security for the Payment of the same at the End of Three Months after the obtaining a Permit or Permits to import the same, subject to the same Discount and Allowance with Liquors imported from any other Place, to be applied to the Sinking the Sum of Forty Thousand Pounds, granted by an Act of Assembly, entitled, An Act for Granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majesty's Service, and striking Thirty-four Thousand and Fifteen Pounds Six Shillings thereof in Bills of Credit, and Raising a Fund for Sinking the same.*

Also an Excise
of 4 d. per Gal-
lon.

IV. *AND be it further Enacted, by the Authority aforesaid, That the Importer or Importers of any Quantity of Rum, Spirits or Brandy, under Fifty Gallons, or of any Quantity of Wine under Twenty-five Gallons, that shall, after the said Eleventh Day of June, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-eight, be imported into this Province by Land from the Province of Pennsylvania, or the Three Lower Counties of New-Castle, Kent and Sussex, or the reputed Limits of the said Province or Counties, before he imports the same, shall over and above the said Duty of Three Pence per Gallon, pay to the Naval-Officer or Sheriff, into or through whose District or County the same shall be intended to be first imported, the Sum of Four Pence, by Way of Excise, for every Gallon of Rum, Spirits, or Brandy, and the Sum of Six Pence, by Way of Excise, for every Gallon of Wine so intended to be imported, or give good Security for the Payment of the same at the End of Three Months after the obtaining a Permit or Permits to import the same, to be applied to the Sinking the Sum of Forty Thousand Pounds granted by the Act aforesaid.*

6 d. per Gallon
for Wine.

Permits to be
granted, and
stand good for
20 Days only.

V. *AND be it further Enacted, That the Naval-Officer or Sheriff, with whom such Entry shall be made, at the Time of such Entry, and the Payment of the Duty on and Excise as aforesaid, are hereby empowered and required to give to the Person or Persons making such Entry, a Permit, or as many as shall be required, provided that the said Permits, so required, do not altogether contain a larger Quantity of Gallons than shall be Entered, and Duty, or Duty and Excise, paid for as aforesaid, to import into this Province, from Pennsylvania, or the Three Lower Counties of New-Castle, Kent and Sussex, so much Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, as he, she or they, shall have paid the Duty, or Duty and Excise for as aforesaid; for each of which Permits there shall be paid to the said Naval-Officer or Sheriff, the Sum of Three Pence Current Money, and no more; which Permit or Permits shall authorize the Person or Persons, to whom the same shall be given, to import the Quantity or Quantities of Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, in the said Permit or Permits mentioned, into this Province, at any Time within Twenty Days after the Date of the said Permit or Permits, and not after. And that the Naval-Officer or Sheriff shall, when and as often as he grants a Permit or Permits as aforesaid, administer an Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker, to the Person or Persons to whom the said Permit or Permits shall be delivered, that he, she or they, shall or will not make use of the said Permit or Permits, or suffer or allow the same to be used, to a double Purpose, or for the covering or importing any more Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, than the said Permit or Permits allow.*

Oath to be made
at the Time of
taking the Per-
mits.

Penalty of 10 l.
for using Per-
mits for a dou-
ble Purpose.

VI. *AND be it further Enacted, That whosoever shall presume to make use of any Permit or Permits, so aforesaid granted, or willingly suffer or allow the same to be used for a double Purpose, or for covering or importing more Rum, Spirits, Wine or Brandy, than is contained in the said Permit or Permits, shall forfeit and pay for every such Offence, the Sum of Ten Pounds Current Money; one Half thereof to the Person or Persons who shall sue for the same, the other Half to be paid to the Commissioners or Trustees of the Loan-Office, for the Time being; to be applied to the Sinking the Sum of Forty Thousand Pounds granted by the Act aforesaid; to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Complaint, or Information, in any Court of Record within this Province, wherein no Essoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed.*

VII. *AND*