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XV.

fore a Justice of the Peace, *That he will, without Fear, Affection, Malice, Partiality, or Respect of Persons, diligently and carefully view, examine, inspect, cull, garble, and count all Staves, Heading, and Shingles, brought to, and offered for Sale, within the North-West Branch of Patapisco River, and which he shall be called upon to view, examine, inspect, cull, garble, and count, to the best of his Skill and Knowledge, and according to the Directions of this Act; and that he will not wittingly or willingly charge, ask, take, receive, exact, or demand any other, or larger Fees or Rates, for doing his Duty in his said Office of Inspector or Culler, Garbler and Counter of Staves, Heading, and Shingles, than is mentioned and directed by this Act.*

After the 1st
Day of August,
all Fire-Wood
to be corded;
for which 4^d.
per Cord to be
paid.

XXII. *And, whereas it is represented, That Advantages are taken by the Sellers of Wood, in short measuring and cording the same, to the great Prejudice of the Inhabitants of the said Town; Be it therefore further Enacted, That from and after the First Day of August next, all Fire-Wood brought to, and offered for Sale, in the said Town, whether by Land or Water, shall be set up, corded and measured by some Wood-Corder, for that Purpose as aforesaid appointed; and that each and every Cord of Wood shall be Eight Feet in Length, Four Feet in Breadth, Four Feet in Height, and well stowed and packed; and that the said Wood-Corder, for his Trouble in cording and packing the same, shall have and receive the Sum of Four-pence Current Money for each, and every Cord; the One Half thereof to be paid by the Seller, the other Half by the Person purchasing the same.*

Purchasers of
Wood, neg-
lecting to
have it corded,
to forfeit 5^s.
per Cord.

XXIII. *And be it further Enacted, That if any Person or Persons, shall purchase and buy any Fire-Wood brought to the said Town, and shall neglect or refuse to have the same corded and measured by some Wood-Corder, appointed as aforesaid, he, she, or they, shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Five Shillings Current Money, for each and every Cord so purchased and bought, and which he, she, or they, shall refuse or neglect to have corded, as aforesaid, or shall refuse or omit to request one or other of the said Corders, to cord, pursuant to this Act.*

Corders of
Wood, to
make Oath
before they
execute their
Office.

XXIV. *And be it further Enacted, That the said Wood-Corders, and each of them, so as aforesaid to be appointed, shall, and they, and each of them, are hereby required, on his or their Appointment, and before his or their executing the said Office, to make Oath, or Affirmation, if a Quaker, before a Justice of the Peace, That he will, when required, in a just and impartial Manner, well and truly set up, pack, cord, and measure all Fire-Wood, brought for Sale to the Town of Baltimore, according to the best of his Skill and Knowledge, and the Directions of this Act; and that he will not wittingly, or willingly, charge, ask, take, receive, exact, or demand any other or larger Fees or Rates, for doing his Duty in his said Office of Wood-Corder, than is mentioned and directed by this Act; a Minute of the Choice of which said several Officers of Inspector of Flour, Measurers of Grain, Salt, and Flax-Seed, Cullers or Garblers, and Counters of Staves, Heading, and Shingles, Weighers of Hay, and Wood-Corders, and their having taken the said Oaths, shall be entered among the Proceedings of the said Commissioners, from Time to Time, as often as taken.*

A Minute to
be entered by
the Commis-
sioners, of the
Choice of Of-
ficers.

From and af-
ter the 1st
Day of Sept.
all Hay to be
weighed, and
the Officer
appointed, to
receive 2^s.
per Ton, and
pro rata.

XXV. *And be it further Enacted, That from and after the First Day of September next, all Hay, of what Kind soever, which shall be brought by Land or Water to, and offered for Sale in the said Town, shall be weighed by the Officer, so as aforesaid appointed, with proper Scales and Weights, or Engines to be provided for that Purpose, if he shall be thereto required, at the Choice and Election of either the Purchaser or Seller of such Hay; for which Trouble, he the said Hay-Weigher, shall have and receive, of the Purchaser or Seller of the said Hay, who shall require the same to be weighed, the Sum of Two Shillings Current Money for every Ton, or Twenty Gross Hundred Weight of Hay, and no more, and so pro rata.*

XXVI. *And*