

brought by Land or Water to, and offered for Sale in the said Town, or C. H. A. B. Fell's-Point, shall be measured, by the Officer so as aforesaid, to be appointed, with proper Measures to be tried and stamped by the County Standard and provided for that Purpose, if he shall be thereunto required, at the Choice and Election of either the Purchaser or Seller, of such Grain, Salt or Flax-seed; for which Trouble, he, the said Officer, shall and may demand, have and receive, of the Purchaser or Seller of the said Grain, Salt or Flax-seed, who shall require the same, the Sum of One Shilling current Money for every One Hundred Bushels of Grain, Salt or Flax-seed, and no more, and so *pro rata*. XX. offered for Sale, to be measured, &c. by an Officer, if required. His Allowance.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That the said Measurers of Grain, Salt and Flax-seed, and Hay-Weighers, 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 they and each of them, when required, will well and truly, according to the best of his or their Skill and Knowledge, measure all Grain, Salt and Flax-seed, and weigh all Hay, without any Fear, Favour, Affection, Malice or Partiality whatever, to the Buyer or Seller; and that they, and each of them, will not, willingly or wittingly, charge, ask, take, receive, exact or demand, any other or larger Fees or Rates, for doing his or their Duty, in his or their Office, than is mentioned and directed by this Act. Oath of Office required.

XXIV. And, whereas the preventing Frauds and Abuses, in culling and counting Staves, Heading and Shingles, large Quantities of which are exported, will tend to advance the Credit of the same at foreign Markets, and promote the Trade and Commerce of the said Town of *Baltimore*;

XXV. Be it therefore enacted, That from and after the First Day of *December* next, all Staves, Heading and Shingles, brought to, and offered for Sale within the said North-West Branch of *Patapsco*, shall be submitted to the Examination of the Officer so as aforesaid to be appointed for that Purpose; and, if the said Officer shall find the same sound, and fit for Exportation, he shall count, cull and garble the same, in a just and impartial Manner between the Buyer and Seller; for which Trouble, he, the said Officer, shall receive and have, as follows, *to wit*, for every customary Thousand of Pipe Staves, Two Shillings current Money; for every customary Thousand of Hoghead Staves, or Hoghead Heading, One Shilling and Eight-pence current Money; and for every customary Thousand of Barrel Staves, One Shilling current Money; and for every Thousand Shingles, Six-pence current Money; the One Half thereof to be paid by the Buyer, the other Half by the Seller. Staves, Heading and Shingles, to be examined, &c. by an Officer to be appointed. His Allowance.

XXVI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where, at any Time hereafter, any Disputes shall arise, between the Officer and the Owner or Possessor of any of the Staves, Heading or Shingles, herein before-mentioned, concerning the same, upon Application made, by the Owner or Possessor thereof, to any one Magistrate of *Baltimore County*, he shall issue his Warrant to Three indifferent judicious Persons of Skill and Integrity, directing them to view and examine the said Staves, Heading or Shingles, which said Three Persons so as aforesaid appointed, shall take the same Oath, or Affirmation if a Quaker, as by this Act is herein after directed to be taken by the said Inspector or Culler, Garbler and Counter of Staves, Heading and Shingles, and shall carefully view, inspect, examine, cull, garble and count the same; and if they, or any Two of them, In Case Disputes shall arise, how to proceed.