

Appointed in Pursuance of such Nomination and Recommendation, as already mentioned, and shall afterwards and again be nominated and recommended to be an Inspector or Inspectors for the ensuing Year, such Nomination and Recommendation shall be a sufficient Power to such Inspector or Inspectors, to be and continue in the said Office, without any further Appointment; and so from Year to Year, so long as he or they shall be nominated and recommended as aforesaid.

Oath to be taken by Vestrymen and Churchwardens.

XV. And be it enacted, That every Vestryman and Churchwarden shall, on pain of forfeiting Six Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, take the following Oath before some Vestryman then present, before they proceed to the Nomination or Recommendation of any Inspector or Inspectors; to wit: *I, A B do swear, That I will faithfully, honestly, and justly, nominate and recommend such Persons, to be Inspectors, as I think, in my Judgment and Conscience, are fit and capable to execute the Office of Inspector. So help me God.*

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XVI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every Person nominated and recommended as Inspector, according to the Directions of this Act, by the Vestrymen and Churchwardens of the respective Parishes of this Province, shall be Inspector to execute this Act, any Defect in the Nomination or Recommendation of such Inspector notwithstanding.

Inspectors not to be capable of being Members of the House of Delegates, or Collectors of Quit-Rents, or Public or County Levies; nor to receive Tobacco by way of Loan, Barter, or Exchange.

XVII. And be it enacted, That no Person taking upon himself the Office of an Inspector, shall during his Continuance in that Office, or within One Year next after he shall be out of his said Office, be capable of being elected a Member of the House of Delegates, or shall presume to intermeddle, or concern himself with any Election of a Delegate or Delegates, otherwise than by giving his Vote, or shall endeavour to influence any Person, or Persons, to give his or their Vote or Votes, under the Penalty of Eight Thousand Pounds of Tobacco for every Offence. Neither shall any Inspector, during the Time aforesaid, be, or undertake to be, Collector of his Lordship's Quit-Rents, or of any Public, County, or Parish Levies, or of any Officers Fees; nor shall, directly or indirectly, for himself, or any other Person, during his Continuance in the said Office, buy or receive by way of Barter, Loan, or Exchange, any Tobacco whatsoever, or suffer, or permit any Tobacco to be bought by any Person or Persons whatsoever, with any Money arising by the Sale of any Goods, Wares, or Merchandizes whatsoever, made by any of the Inspector or Inspectors, either upon their own Accounts, or the Accounts of any other Person or Persons whatsoever; nor shall any way intermeddle with, or busy him or themselves in procuring Tobacco, to be sold or consigned to any Merchant, or in lading any Ship or Vessel with Tobacco (except the proper Tobacco of such Inspector or Inspectors) under the Penalty of Two Hundred and Forty Pounds of Tobacco for every Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, and so in Proportion for a greater or less Quantity, so bought or received, or procured to be consigned or laden on board such Vessel. *Provided always,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to hinder any Inspector from receiving his own proper Debts or Rents in Tobacco, which shall be first viewed, examined, and stamped, according to the Directions of this Act.

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Inspectors Salaries.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the Salaries herein after mentioned shall be paid to the several Inspectors to be appointed by Virtue of this Act. In *Saint Mary's County*, At *Chaptico*, on the Land of the late *Philip Key*, Six Thousand Four Hundred Pounds of Tobacco to each Inspector; On a Plantation where a certain *Gilbert Mackey* lived, to the Inspector,

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