

any of the inhabitants of this state, as aforesaid, lie or they so refusing shall, for every offence, forfeit the sum of five pounds current money, one half thereof to the informer and the other half to the use of this state, and shall also forfeit to the uses aforesaid the goods so as aforesaid refused to be sold.

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XIV. And be it enacted, That no goods, wares, or merchandise, shall be exposed to sale by public vendue (except household furniture, goods condemned in the court of admiralty, or sold under contract for that purpose heretofore made, or by distress for rent, or by process out of the courts of law or equity, or by the executor or administrator for any deceased person) under penalty of one hundred pounds on the person selling or buying at such vendue.

Goods, &c.
not to be sold
at vendue.

XV. And, whereas it is represented to this General Assembly, that divers persons, inhabitants of this state, have engrossed large quantities of salt, rum, sugar, molasses, coffee, and iron, with intent to sell the same again at high and exorbitant prices, by means whereof the inhabitants are greatly oppressed; and whereas also several persons of this state may have purchased and laid up for the use of their families more salt than is sufficient to serve their families for one year from this time,

XVI. Be it enacted, That all and every of the persons, who have so engrossed the said articles as aforesaid, shall sell the same by retail to the inhabitants of this state, at not more than the rate of ten per centum profit on the purchase money, reserving so much of the said articles as may be necessary for himself and family for one year, and not selling more of the overplus of the article of salt to any person than shall be sufficient for the use of his family for one year, allowing one peck to each individual of such family. And if any of the said persons, who have engrossed any of the said articles as aforesaid, shall refuse to sell the same at the rate aforesaid, and in manner aforesaid, he shall, for every offence, forfeit the sum of five pounds current money, and the goods so refused to be sold, one half thereof to the use of the informer, and the other half to the use of this state.

Articles en-
grosed to be
sold at not
more than
ten per cent.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That if any person or persons in this state, hath or have purchased or laid up, for the use of his or their family or families, more salt than shall be sufficient for his or their family or families, for one year from this time, such person or persons shall sell the overplus to the inhabitants of this state by retail, at the same rate and in the same manner and proportion as the persons who have engrossed salt, as abovementioned, are directed to sell the same; and if any person shall refuse to sell the overplus of his salt at the rate and manner aforesaid, he shall forfeit for every offence the sum of five pounds current money, and the overplus of his salt so refused to be sold, one half to the informer and the other half to the use of this state.

Persons hav-
ing more salt
than necessa-
ry to sell the
overplus.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That if the owner or possessor of any of the articles above enumerated, shall attempt to remove any of them out of this state, it shall and may be lawful for any person to seize the same, and every such article, so attempted to be carried out of this state, shall be forfeited, one half to the person seizing the same and the other half to the use of this state.

Owners of
goods not to
remove them
out of the
state, &c.

XIX. And