

XIV. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the governor and the council to permit any inhabitant or inhabitants of this state, or any person or persons who shall come recommended by the executive powers of any of the United States, to export, transport, and carry away, any of the above enumerated articles and commodities, into either of the states of New-Hampshire, Massachusetts-Bay, Providence plantation, or Connecticut, such person and persons, exporting, transporting, or carrying away, any of the articles and commodities aforesaid, and also every seaman on board such vessel, first taking his solemn oath, or (if a quaker, menonist, or dunker) affirmation, " That he or they will not, directly or indirectly, be privy to or concerned in any measure whatsoever which may tend to defeat the arrival of such vessel at the port to which such vessel shall clear out, but that he or they shall and will take every measure to carry into effect the licence granted to such person or persons, for exporting, transporting, and carrying away, the articles and commodities aforesaid.

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Governor and council may permit any of the above articles to be exported to N. Hampshire, &c.

XV. And be it enacted, That the shipper or shippers shall first agree with the commissary-general, or person by him duly authorized for such purpose, on the price for which the flour or other articles, shipped under the licence aforesaid, shall be delivered for the public use at some port in one of the said eastern states.

Shippers to agree for the price, &c.

XVI. And, Whereas it hath been recommended by congress to allow the exportation of one thousand bushels of Indian corn for the relief of the distressed inhabitants of the islands of Bermuda, which is thought by this general assembly expedient and proper to be complied with under certain limitations :

XVII. Be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the governor and council to permit any quantity not exceeding ten thousand bushels of Indian corn to be transported from this state to the said islands of Bermuda, for the relief of the inhabitants thereof, provided there be imported by the commander of every vessel applying for such permit, a quantity of salt, for the benefit of the inhabitants of this state, equal to the quantity of corn intended to be carried out, and provided also, that the person exporting the same, and also every person on board such vessel, first taking his solemn oath, or (if a quaker, menonist, or dunker) solemn affirmation, that he or they will not, directly or indirectly, be privy to or concerned in any measure whatsoever which may tend to defeat the arrival of such vessel at the port of her delivery aforesaid, but that he or they shall and will take every measure to carry into effect the licence aforesaid, and will transmit, or endeavour to transmit, to the governor and council, a certificate, under the signature of at least two of the principal inhabitants of the said islands, of the delivery and faithful application of said provision, in case the same shall arrive.

Governor and council may permit Indian corn to be transported to Bermuda, &c.

XVIII. And, Whereas it hath been represented, that the indulgence heretofore granted for the exportation of provisions hath been greatly abused, the same being carried out in many instances in vessels that were heavy sailers, and for the most part unarmed, by means whereof great part of the flour and other provisions hath been captured by the enemy :