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keepers, passed at March session seventeen hundred and eighty (except such parts of the said act as relate to the retailing of liquors by merchants or store keepers, or at horse races) shall be and remain in full force for ever, as to the granting licences on the eastern shore, and the money hereafter collected for ordinary licences granted on the eastern shore, and paid to the treasurer of the said shore, shall remain in his hands, subject to the orders of the visitors and governors of Washington college, to be drawn according to the directions of this act.

Hawkers, &c.

VI. **And be it enacted,** That every person carrying goods, wares, or merchandise, for sale, from place to place, shall be deemed a hawker or pedlar, and, after the first day of April next, shall, before they trade, barter or sell any goods, wares, or merchandise, on the eastern shore, take out a licence from some county court of the said shore, which shall be renewed every year; and the said county courts are hereby authorized and required, on application of any person of reputation, to grant licence to such person to travel and trade, as a hawker or pedlar, on the eastern shore, for one year from the date of the said licence, which licence shall be made out by the clerk of the court, under his hand and the seal of the county; and for every licence, and the renewal thereof, there shall be paid six pounds current money to the sheriff of the county, and five shillings to the clerk of the court for making out or renewing such licence; and the several clerks are directed, annually on or before the first day of October, to return to the treasurer of the eastern shore a list of licences granted to hawkers and pedlars; and the several sheriffs shall, annually on or before the first day of October, pay all money by them received for the said licences to the treasurer of the said shore, and such money shall remain in his hands, subject to the orders of the visitors and governors of Washington college, to be drawn according to the directions of this act; and if any hawker or pedlar, after the first day of April next, shall be found travelling with, and exposing or offering for sale, any goods, wares, or merchandise, on the eastern shore, without a licence obtained as aforesaid for that purpose, such hawker or pedlar shall, for every offence, forfeit and pay the sum of ten pounds current money; and it is hereby declared to be the duty of every sheriff, deputy sheriff, and constable, on the eastern shore, to examine and require any person carrying goods from place to place for sale, to produce a licence, and in case of refusal or neglect, on request, to produce the same, to carry such person before some justice of the peace, who shall take a recognizance from such person, with security, to appear at the next county court. **Provided,** That persons travelling with linen, hemp, flax, or thread, the growth and manufacture of this state, and selling or bartering the same, shall not be deemed hawkers or pedlars within this act.

Penalty on
persons retail-
ing spirituous
liquors, &c.

VII. **And be it enacted,** That no person shall retail any wine, rum, brandy, whisky, or other distilled spirituous liquor, strong beer or cider, on the eastern shore, without a licence for that purpose obtained, agreeably to the directions of this act; and if any person shall retail any of the articles aforesaid without a licence, such person shall forfeit and pay six pounds current money for every such offence; and every person selling any of the articles aforesaid under the quantity of ten gallons shall be deemed a retailer, and no person shall retail less than a pint of any of the said articles. **Provided,** That nothing herein contained shall be deemed, construed, or taken, to prohibit the maker, distiller, or brewer, of any spirituous liquor, beer, or cider, from retailing the same, such person not selling less than a quart at any one time.

Justices to
grant licences,
&c.

VIII. **And be it enacted,** That the justices of each county on the eastern shore, in court sitting, be authorized and required, at their next June court,