

On a second reading the Bill, entitled, An act for the more effectual procuring for storing and engraving, and for other purposes therein mentioned, the Question was put for striking out the following Clause.

Be it enacted, That if any Person within this State, shall buy within the same, any Wheat, Flax, Rye, Indian Corn, Rice, Beef, Pork, Bacon, Lard, Beans, Oats, or other dead Livelial, or fatted Cattle, or fatted Hogs, or if any Person within this State shall obtain or get into his hands, by buying, contracting, or Promise taking, (other than by Demise, Grant, or Lease of Land, or in Payment of Debt heretofore contracted) any of the Articles aforesaid, such Person shall, for every Offense, forfeit all the Articles aforesaid which shall be so bought, or got into his Possession, one half to the State, and the other half to the Informer, and shall also be fined the Sum of ten thousand Pounds, and imprisoned one year.

The Yeas and Nays being called for by Mr Deys appeared as follow

Affirmative

Messrs Sturges, Winge, Dey, Hammond, McComas.

Negative

Reed, J Hall, Ward, Dugan, Dennis, McMechin,
Mackall, W. Ridgely, Job, Chese, J. Hanson, Alexander,
Grosham, Macubbin, C. Hall, J. Honey, Betty, Barnes,
Mittner, Williamson, Dent, Ingle, Gaunt, Sprigg,
Sethrbury, Brooland, J. Hanson, Bush, Crumplin, Stalle,
W. Stevenson, Millers, Danning, Moore, Bayly, Archer,
Workington, Dashiell, Birkhead,

So it was carried in the Negative

Messrs

On Proposion in reading the said Bill, the Question was put for striking out the following Clause:

Be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any one Justice of the Peace in any County of this State, and he is hereby authorized and required, on his own Knowledge, or on Information on Oath, that any Person or Persons have by them any wheat of the Growth and Produce of any of the preceding Years to issue his Warrant, empowering any Constable or other Person to seize the same, for the Use of the United States; and such Justice of the Peace shall forthwith call to his Assistance two respectable, disinterested Persons of the same County, and if they, or the Majority of them shall determine the said wheat to have been of the Growth of any preceding Year, such Justice shall retain the wheat so seized, and shall, as soon as may be, transmit a Certificate from under his Hand of the Quantity of wheat so seized, to the Governor and Council, who shall cause the Substance of such Certificate to be entered on their Proceedings, and the said Justice shall have full Power and Authority to call on the Sheriffs of the County, or his Deputy, to aid against him in carrying this Law into Execution; and the said Justice shall, and he is hereby required, as soon as may be after such wheat shall be determined as aforesaid to be liable to Seizure, to cause the same to be delivered to the Commissary General or Quarter Master General, or any of their Deputies he or they paying not exceeding one half of the Current Price, according to the Quality of the Grain, to the Owner or Person entitled to receive the same, on Delivery: And if any of the Grain aforesaid shall be mixed with Grain of the Growth of the present Year, in such Case the whole shall be liable to Seizure, and if there should be any Diversity of Opinion respecting the Current Price between the Owner or Person entitled to receive the same, and the Commissary General or Quarter Master