

afores^d unmade not sett up and unfinished to be recovered in the Severall County Courts where the said party or Partys Cooper or Coopers do at that time dwell or reside unless the Cooper or Coopers person or persons agreeing or undertaking the said work or Task aforesaid shall or can before the Comission^{rs} of such County Courts make it Sufficently appear that he was hindred in performing his said Agreement or undertaking by sickness or some other lawfull Impediment to be adjudged and Approved of by the Commissioners of the said Severall County Courts And for the prevention of the unreasonable great Tare of Tobacco hogsheads of very ill consequence and damage of the Merchants and others Traders here within this Province, and also to avoid the many Inconveniencies of too weighty and unseasoned Cask Be it also Enacted by the Authority aforesaid by and with the advice and consent aforesaid, That from and after Publication hereof, All Merchants Traders Planters overseers and other Inhabitants of this Province making any Crops of Tobacco, shall provide and cause to be fallⁿ and saw'd by the last day of Aprill at furthest in every year respectively all such Timb^r as be intended or allotted for making Tobacco hogsheads to the end the same may be well seasoned under the penalty of one hundred pounds of Tobacco forfeiture for every hogsh^d he or they shall have sett up or made of any oth^r Timber then what shall be seasoned as aforesaid, one half to Our Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen their heirs or Successors for the Support of this Government, the other half to him or them that shall sue for the same in any Court of Record within this Province wherein no Essoine protection or wager of Law to be allowed. And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid by and wth the advice and consent aforesaid, That from and after the Publication hereof no Tobacco Hogshead or Cask for Tobacco shall be sett up or made by any Cooper or Coopers whatsoever of any other Timber than what is herein before Provided, and the same to hewn and riven into Staves and heading by the last day of July in every year respectively, And when sett up and finished not to weigh above ninety pounds p hh^d under the penalty of one hundred pounds of Tobacco for every hh^d that shall from and after the Publication hereof hereafter be sett up of any other Tymber that shall be so fallen and hewen or rived as aforesaid, or shall when set up or finished exceed the Weight of ninety pounds as afores^d to be paid by such Cooper or Coopers as shall be sett up or make any such Cask or Casks, to be recovrd in the County Courts where the Offence shall be Comitted The one half to Our Sovereign Lord and Lady the King and Queen their Heirs or Successors for the Support of this Government, The other half

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