

On the back of the vote of the about Prest goods
to be inquired into by the Justices of the County was
thus written (vizt)

L. H. Journal
Original.

Nov: 14th 1678.

Upp howse concurre with howse in the vote above.

wellyn Cl of the Assembly.

Came Major the upp howse wth these paps vizt

Upp how mb 14th 1678.

The Gou^rno^r & Counce cawse p^rclamacōn to issue
forth accordingly as is Desi Lower howse

John Lewellyn Clerke of the Assembly

Acts made att a Generall Assembly held att the Citty of S^t Maryes the twentieth day of October in the third yeare
of the Dominion of Charles &^a Annoq Domini one
thousand six hundred seventy Eight

Liber W. H.
& L., p. 131

The Hon^{ble} Thomas Notley Esq^r Gouernour.

An Act for keepinge holy the Lords day

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Forasmuch as there is nothing more acceptable to almighty God then the true and Sincere Service & worship of him according to his holy will & fforasmuch as the Sanctifying or keepinge Holy of the Lords day cōmonly called Sunday is and hath been esteemed by the present & all primitive Christian Churches & people a principall and cheife part of the said Worship, which day in most places in this Province hath been & still is profaned and neglected by a wicked and disorderly sort of people by working Drunkenness swearing gameing vnlawfull pastimes and other Debaucheries to the high dishonour of almighty God the Scandall of Christian Religion & the apparent detriment & Ruine of many of the Inhabitants of this Province for Remedy whereof for the future Bee it Enacted by the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ty} by and with the Consent of the upper and lower houses of this present Generall Assembly & the Authority of the same that from and after twenty dayes next after the end of this session of Assembly noe person or persons within this Province shall worke or doe any bodily labour or occupacōn vppon any Lords day cōmonly Called Sunday nor shall Comānd or willfully Suffer or permitt of his or their Children hired servants servants or slaues to worke or labour as aforesaid (the absolute workes of necessity and mercy alwayes Excepted) And for that through the wicked and profane licenciousness of severall persons inhabiting or travelling into this Province itt hath been Customary for such sort of persons to Spend the said day in the bodily Exercise or occupacōn of fishing Bee itt likewise Enacted by the Authority aforesaid