

Lib. L. L. now or shall be hereafter Established by Law, and also that  
 No. 1. the Great Charter of England be kept and observed in all  
 points, and forasmuch as the Sanctifying and keeping holy of  
 the Lords Day commonly called Sunday is and hath been  
 Esteemed by the present and all primitive Churches and  
 People a Principall and Cheif part of the said Worship, which  
 Day in most places of this Province hath been and still is by  
 many wicked Lewd and disorderly people Prophaned and  
 neglected, by working Drunkenness Swearing Gaming & other  
 unlawfull pastimes and debaucheries, for remedy whereof,  
 for the future

Bee it Enacted by the King and Queens most Excellent  
 Majestys and by and with the advice and consent aforesaid.  
 That from and after the publication of this Law no Person or  
 Persons within this Province shall work or do any bodily  
 P. 3 Labour or Occupation upon any Lords Day commonly called  
 Sunday, nor shall command or wilfully suffer or permitt any  
 of his or their children Servants or Slaves to work or labour  
 as aforesaid (the absolute works of necessity and mercy always  
 Excepted) Nor shall suffer or permitt any of his her or their  
 Children Servants or Slaves or any other under their Authority  
 to abuse or Prophane the Lords Day by drunkenness, Swear-  
 ing Gaming, fowling fishing, hunting or any other Sports  
 Pastimes or Recreations whatsoever. And if any person or  
 persons within this Province from and after the Publication  
 hereof, shall offend in all or any the premisses, he she or they  
 so offending, shall forfeit and pay for every offence one hun-  
 dred pounds of Tobacco, the said Offences being done, any of  
 them being done in view of any Justice of the Peace Magis-  
 trate or other head Officer of any County City or Town Cor-  
 porate within this Province within their limmitts respectively,  
 or being proved upon Oath by two or more Witnesses, or by  
 the confession of the party offending, before any such Justice  
 Magistrate or head Officer within their severall Limitts respec-  
 tively wherein such Offence shall be committed, to which end  
 every Justice Magistrate or head Officer shall have power by  
 this Act to administer an Oath to any such Witness or Wit-  
 nesses, any of which sum or sums of Tobacco so forfeited  
 shall and may be Executed and levied by the Sherriff under  
 Sherriff or Constable by Warrant to any one of them directed  
 from any such Justice or Justices of the Peace Magistrate or  
 other head Officer as aforesaid within their severall Limitts  
 where all or any of the said Offences shall be committed or done  
 by distress and sale the offenders goods, rendring the Party  
 overplus or they shall be recovered by bill plaint or Informa-  
 tion, by any person or persons that will sue for the same, in  
 any of their Majesties Courts of Record within this Province