

Bacon
Chap. XV An Act directing how Fines shall be adjudged against such as neglect to appear at Musters.

Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That on Representation made by the Head Officer that shall appear in the Field at any Time appointed for a Muster, that any Persons, not exempt by Law, shall not have made their Appearance according to his Warning or Summons provided as the Laws of this Province direct, it shall and may be lawful for any Two Field Officers of the County, to summons the Delinquent or others concerned; and on hearing and fully examining into his Offence and Excuse, to cause him to be executed or excused, as shall be most just and most agreeable to the Intent of the Law, now in Force, for the better regulating the Militia.

II. Provided, That in case any Person summoned to appear before such Field Officers, shall not appear, or otherwise excuse themselves, it shall be lawful for such Officers to judge their Case as on Default.

III. And be it further Enacted, That an Act, entitled An Act for ordering and regulating the Militia of this Province, for the better Defence and Security thereof, made at a Session of Assembly begun and held at the City of Annapolis, the Twenty-sixth Day of April, Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifteen, be, and is hereby revived and continued in full Force.

Chap. XVI An Act to prohibit the clandestine Running of Tobacco into any of the neighbouring Colonies.

Whereas several Persons residing and trading within this Province, regardless of the common Interest thereof, for the sake of their own private Advantage, carry large Quantities of Tobacco into several of the neighbouring Colonies without making any Entry thereof, paying the lawful Duties, or giving any Security to prevent its being carried into Places prohibited by Law, contrary to the manifest Intent of several Acts of Parliament, to the Prejudice of the Crown, and the Lord Proprietor, as well as the Discouragement of the Trade of the Province; To remedy which Evils,

II. Be it Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That no Person whatsoever, shall presume to transport out of this Province, (by Land or Water) any Hogshead, Package or Parcel of