

C H A P. XVII. quantity, by any merchant or shopkeeper, and selling the same again in his store or shop, shall not be deemed, taken or construed, to come within the intent or meaning of this act.

Persons exposing certain articles for sale, &c. deemed offenders, &c.

III. And, whereas persons offending against this act may make their purchases in so secret a manner that it may be difficult to detect them, **Be it further enacted,** That when and as often as it shall happen that any person is exposing any of the above enumerated articles for sale, otherwise than in their stores or shops as aforesaid, and there is good cause to suspect they have been purchased contrary to the true intent and meaning of this act, it shall be lawful for any person to apply to a magistrate for a warrant to apprehend the person so suspected, and the said magistrate shall have power to inquire into the offence, and if the person suspected be convicted thereof, on the oath of one or more credible witnesses, or if the person so charged cannot make it appear, to the satisfaction of such magistrate, that he or she raised or made the articles by him or her offered for sale, or is disposing of them on account of the person who raised or made them, or that he or she brought the said article or articles ten miles or upwards from the town of Baltimore, he or she shall be deemed offenders against this act, and the fines and forfeitures shall be recovered in a summary way before the said magistrate.

Butter to weigh sixteen ounces, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all butter sold by the pound in the said markets, shall weigh sixteen ounces avoirdupoise weight; and any person bringing butter to the said markets, and offering the same for sale, and the said butter weighing less than sixteen ounces as aforesaid, the same butter shall be taken and seized by the clerk of the market, and sold for the use of Baltimore-town.

No goods to be sold on the market-square, &c.

V. **Be it further enacted,** That no person or persons shall bring any goods or merchandise of any kind into the market-square to sell before the hour of twelve o'clock; and any person acting herein contrary to this law, shall forfeit for every offence committed the sum of three pounds current money, to be recovered as aforesaid.

Clerk may seize meat, &c.

VI. And be it enacted, That the clerk of the said markets shall have full power and authority to seize by distress any meat upon any stall in the Baltimore market-houses, if the butcher owning such stall shall not pay the rent due thereon; and the said clerk is also hereby appointed to collect all fines and forfeitures incurred under this law, and account for the same to the commissioners of Baltimore-town, for the use of said town.

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An ACT to continue the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

Passed May 27.

Several acts continued.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That an act, entitled, An act for the amendment of the law, passed at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the sixteenth day of November, seventeen hundred and seventy-three, and one other act, entitled, A supplementary act to the act, entitled, An act for the amendment of the law, passed at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the twenty-sixth day of October, seventeen hundred and seventy-eight, be and they are hereby continued for seven years, and to the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter. One other act to remedy some evils relating to servants, passed at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the eighth day of May, seventeen hundred and fifty, be and is hereby continued for seven years, and to the end of the next session of assembly thereafter. One other act, entitled, An act for the gauge of barrels for pork, beef, pitch, tar, turpentine, and tare of barrels for flour and bread, passed at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the fifth of August, seventeen hundred and forty-five, be and is hereby continued for seven years, and to the end of the next session of assembly thereafter. And one other act, entitled, An act to establish a market in Frederick-town, and for the regulation of said market, passed at a session of assembly begun and held at the city of Annapolis on the twenty-