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CAP. V.

An Act to prevent the Forestalling Regrating and Monopolizing of Cord Wood in the Town of *Halifax*.

SERVE E it Enabled, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Affen. B & bly, That from and after the Publication of this Act, whatfoever Perfon or Perfons shall buy, or Caufe to be bought, Society any Cord Wood coming by Land or Water to the Town of Halifax to be fold again, except at the Distance of Ten Miles from Halifax, or shall make any Bargain, Contract, or Promise, or shall make any offer in any Way or Manner whatfoever, to any Perfon or Perfons for the having or buying the fame, or any Part thereof, for the enhancing the Price, or dearer felling any Kind of Cord Wood coming by Land or Water, to Halifax, aforefaid, shall forfeit and pay for every Cord of Wood fo bought or received Ten Shillings per Cord, over and above the Price fo given or paid, upon Conviction before Two of his Majefty's Juffices of the Peace, and be levied (in Cafe of Refufal of Payment) by Warrant of Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattles, and be applied towards the fupport of the Poor of the faid Township.

II. Provided neverthelefs, That when the Price of Cord Wood shall be at the Rate of Fifteen Shillings per Cord, or under, any Person or Persons shall, and may be at Liberty to purchase Cord Wood to sell again, without incurring the Penalties of this Act.

III. And *Provided* also, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to prevent the Barrack Master, or Persons employed by him, from purchasing Cord Wood for the Use of His Majesty's Troops.

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Any Perfon buying Cord Wood to fell again (except at the diftance often miles from Halifax) or fhall make any bargain &c. for enhancing the price to forfeit 10s. per Cord.

Unless when the price of Cord wood shall be at 155. or under,

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