

9. Item, the steward and cook of every ship, and their associates, to give and render to the captain and other head officers of their ship weekly (or oftener if it shall seem requisite) a just or plain and perfect accompt of expences of the victuals, as well flesh, fish, biscuit, meat, or bread, as also of beer, wine, oil, or vinegar, and all other kind of victualling under their charge, and they, and every of them, so to order and dispend the same, that no waste or unprofitable excess be made otherwise than reason and necessity shall command.

10. Item, when any inferior or mean officer, of what degree or condition he shall be, shall be tried untrue, remiss, negligent, or unprofitable, in or about his office in the voyage, or not to use himself in his charge accordingly, then every such officer to be punished or removed, at the discretion of the captain and assistants, or the most part of them, and the person so removed not to be reputed, accepted, or taken, from the time of his remove, any more for an officer, but to remain in such condition and place as he shall be assigned unto, and none of the company to resist such chastisement or worthy punishment as shall be ministered to him moderately, according to the fault or desert of his offence, after the laws and common customs of the seas in such cases heretofore used and observed.

11. Item, if any mariner, or officer inferior, shall be found by his labour not meet nor worthy the place that he is presently shipped for, such person may be unshipped and put on land at any place within the king's majesty's realm and dominion, and one other person more able and worthy to be put in his place, at the discretion of the captain and masters, and order to be taken that the party dismissed shall be allowed proportionably the value of that he shall have deserved to the time of his dismission or discharge, and he to give order, with sureties, pawn, or other assurance, to repay the overplus of that he shall have received which he shall not have deserved, and such wages to be made with the party newly placed as shall be thought reasonable, and he to have the furniture of all such necessities as were prepared for the party dismissed, according to right and conscience.

12. Item, that no blaspheming of God, or detestable swearing, be used in any ship, nor communication of ribaldry, filthy tales, or ungodly talk, to be suffered in the company of any ship, neither dicing, carding, tabling, nor other devilish games, to be frequented, whereby ensueth not only poverty to the players, but also strife, variance, brawling, fighting, and oftentimes murder, to the utter destruction of the parties, and provoking of God's most just wrath and sword of vengeance. These, and all such like pestilences and contagions of vices and sins, to be eschewed, and the offenders once monished, and not reforming, to be punished at the discretion of the captain and master, as appertaineth.

13. Item, that morning and evening prayer, with other common services appointed by the king's majesty and laws of this realm, to be read and said in every ship daily by the minister in the admiral, and the merchant or some other person learned in other ships, and the Bible or paraphrases to be read devoutly and christianly, to God's honour, and for his grace to be obtained and had, by humble and hearty prayer of the navigants accordingly.

14. Item, that every officer is to be charged by inventory with the particulars of his charge, and to render a perfect accompt of the defraying of the same, together with modest and temperate expending of powder, shot, and use of all kind of artillery, which is not to be misused, but diligently to be preserved, for the necessary defence of the fleet and voyage, together with due keeping of all instruments of your navigation, and other requisites.