

C A P. II.

Expired.

AN ACT to prevent the Non-attendance of Members to serve in
GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

C A P. III.

AN ACT for regulating the Measure of BOARDS, and all other Kind
of LUMBER; and for appointing Officers to Survey the same.

After one Month from
Publication, Boards,
&c. imported, brought
for Sale, or exported,
to be viewed, &c.

Officers appointed for
measuring Boards, &c.
to mark anew the just
Contents, allowing for
Rots, &c.

Officers Fees.

Boards, &c. delivered
or shipped for expor-
tation before they are
marked by Officer, to
be forfeited, or the
value thereof.

Dimensions and qua-
lity of Shingles and
Clapboards ascertain-
ed.

Shingles and Clap-
boards, deficient in
number, to be forfeit-
ed.

BE it enacted, by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, That from and after one Month next ensuing the Publication hereof, all Boards, Plank, Timber, Slit-Work, Shingles or Clapboards, which may be imported or brought for sale within this Island, or exported from thence to any foreign Market, shall, before their respective delivery on Sale, be viewed, surveyed, and measured, by one of the Officers to be appointed for that purpose, as herein after directed: And such Officer or Officers, so appointed as aforesaid, upon every admeasurement of such Boards, Planks, Timber and Slit-work, are hereby respectively required to mark anew the just contents thereof, making an allowance for Rots, Splits, and Waines; all boards to be, at least, one inch thick; the seller to pay to the Officer for viewing and measuring the first thousand Feet, or any lesser quantity, *One Shilling*; and for every thousand Feet above, *Six Pence*; besides *Two Pence* per mile for his travel, to be computed from the Place of his Residence to the place where he shall or may be so employed, and from thence back again. And no Boards, Plank, Timber or Slit-work, shall be delivered upon Sale, imported, or shipped for Exportation, before they shall have been viewed and surveyed by such Officer, and by him found answerable to the Description prescribed in and by this Act, and also measured and marked anew, upon pain of being forfeited; or the value thereof, by the seller or shipper of the same.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That all Shingles which may hereafter be exposed to Sale, (being pine Shingles) shall be Eighteen or or Fifteen Inches in length (according to which of these lengths they are or may be sold for) and shall be free from Sap, Shakes, and Worm-holes, at least four inches broad upon an Average, half an inch thick at the But-end, and to be and continue four inches broad from thence to three quarters of the Way towards the thin End thereof, and the same to be well shaved. And all pine Clapboards, hereafter to be exposed to sale within this Island, shall be made of sound Timber, clear of Sap, Shakes, and Worm-Holes, and of the following dimensions, to wit; four feet and four inches long, at least; five inches broad, and half an inch thick on the back, or thickest part thereof.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That all Shingles and Clapboards, hereafter to be exposed to Sale in Bundles (each Bundle containing

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