

of the list fayre written bee immediatly sentt downe to the Liber H. H.
Gouernor and Councell, and an other Coppy faire written
sett vp in the Court howse at the next County Court in
euery County respectiue, to stand there the whole yeare. that
if the list bee false it may bee amended, and certified to the
Gouernor and Councell before the first day of september.

Then was taken into consideration an ordinance to encourage
Tanners. ordered in his verbis

An ordinance of the Gouernor and Councell
for the encouragement of Tanners of lether

For as much as the scarcity of shoes and excessiue rate of
them hath beene cheifely caused by the supine negligene of
the people of this Province skilfull in the mistery of tanning
lether whoe haue hitherto chosen rather to plant tobacco then
follow their art and calling, which would haue furnished the
Province in som measure with shoes of his owne manufacture,
and haue beene an example to other tradesmen to follow their
callings likewise, by which meanes the number of Planters
would bee much lessned, and by consequence the price of
Tobacco much rayseed to the apparent aduantage of the trades-
man whoe is to bee payd with Tobacco, as well as of the planter
who plants it and for as much as som persons haue signified
their willingnes to sett on foot that necessary work of tanninge
since the last Assembly, provided they may be secured of a
quantity of hydes sufficient to keepe them at work, and at
reasonable rates, of which they make som difficulty by reason
of the quantity of hydes exported to new England Be it p. 147
ordained by the Lord Proprietary by and with the Aduice and
consent of the Gouernor and Councell, and accordinge to the
power to his said Lordsp̄ in the interuall of Assemblys by his
pattent giuen: that euery person or persons that shall exporte
or attempt to exporte out of this Province any vntanned hydes
after the 20th day of August next, shall for the first offence
suffer 6 monethes imprisonment: and for the second offence
12 monethes imprisonment, and for euer afterward bee debarred
liberty to trade or trafique in this Province. And bee it further
ordained by the authority aforesaid that there be one or more
searchers appointed dayly to attend to search all shipps or other
vessells resorting to or trafiqueinge or tradinge within this
Province or any the people thereof imediately before their
departure out of the Province. and that the Secretary shall not
giue and discharge to any master or commauder of any ship
or vessell before hee haue a certificat from the searcher that
hee hath duely searched such ship or vessell, and that hee hath
noe hydes on board. And bee it further ordained that euery