

Be it ordained by the Lord Proprietary by and with the advice and consent of the Governor and Council, and according to the power by his said Lord's patent in the interval of fifteen days by his patent given that every person or persons that shall export or attempt to export out of this Province any untanned hides after the 20th day of August next shall for the first offence suffer 6 months imprisonment: and for the second offence 12 months imprisonment and for ever afterward be debarred liberty to trade or traffick in this Province. And be it further ordained by the authority aforesaid that there be one or more searchers appointed by or attend to search all shippes or other vessels resorting to any wharfe or quaying or loadings within this Province or any the people immediately before their departure out of the Province: and the Secretary shall not give any discharge to any master or commander of any ship or vessel before hee have a certificate from the searcher that hee hath duly searched such ship or vessel that hee hath noe hides on board. And be it further ordained that every person that shall tender unto the sherriff of every respective at his owne house any hides, the respective sherriff shall accept the said hides in discharge of rents due to the Proprietary at these rates following, viz. Dry hides at 2^{sh} and rawe hides at ~~1^{sh} 6^d~~ 1^{sh} 2^d pound.

Ordered that this ordinance be forthwith published by Proclamation. Then it was ordered that Proclamation issue to give notice to the Province that they are to pay their rents this yeare to the respective sherriffes of every County at the sherriffes owne house at such other place or places as the sherriffes shall appoint for one best conveniency within the respective County: and that the rents be not paid according to the directions of the respective sherriffes: that distress shall immediately follow. And for as much as all rents are to be payde at St. Marys according to the tenor severall patents: his Lord's ship doth hereby give one whole notice that if any tyme after the 25 day of March next or arrears of debts shall be behind hand or unpaid according to the tenor of their patents that distress shall immediately