CHAPTER 156.

THE LAW REQUIRING ALL MASTERS & COMMANDERS OF ALL SHIPPS & VESSELLS TO MAKE A REPORT ATT THE TOWN OF NEW CASTLE THAT ARE OR SHALL BE BOUND TO & FROM THE SEA

Whereas by a Law of this province made the tenth Day of the 12th month 1699 entitled An act for preventing frauds and regulating abuses in trade with this Province & it was enacted That all Masters & Commanders of Shipps or other vessels bound to and from this province should make report to the collector or officers of the king's Customs in the port of New Castle, whence they came and whether they are bound, And that not withstanding whereof the said act hath not been observed; but several vessels have since contemptuously passed by the said port without compliance with the said act, because no penalty was therein provided against such as offended therein for preventing whereof for the future & for the better preventing frauds and abuses in trade-Be it Enacted by the authority aforsaid, That all Masters & Commanders of all shipps & vessels trading to & from this province or anie part thereof as aforesaid shall be obliged and are hereby strictly enjoyned & required to make Report to the Collector or office of the king's customs in the said port of New Castle aforesaid whence such ship or vessel came and wither she is bound And that all Masters of Shipps or vessells of the burden of one hundred tonns or upwards that shall not make such report shall forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten pounds Silver monie of this province And all masters & Commanders of ships and vessells under the burdon of one hundred tonns shall forfeit & pay the sum of five pounds Like monie One third part thereof to the proprietary & Governor & the other two third part thereof to be paid the said town of Newcastle to be to be recovered in any Court of record within this province or territories by action of debt bill, plain, or information otherwise wherein no ESSOYN, protection or wage of Law shall be allowed Provided always That the said collector, officer or their deputies be there to take such report from such masters or commanders as aforesaid Nevertheless it is hereby intended that this act shall not extend to strangers inward bound that have not before their arrival had due notice of this law.

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693 to 1700, f. 209. Act of June 7, 1700, No.3. See Vol. II St.L. 81, ch. LXIV.

CHAPTER 157.

AN ACT FOR PROLONGING THE TIME PROHIBITING THE SHIPPING TOBAC-CO IN BULK.

Whereas by a Law of this Province made the tenth day of the 12th month February Last past entitled An Act for preventing frauds and regulating abuses in trade within the province of Pennsilvania & Counties Annexed It was (for the safety of the shippers and to Enforce an Act of parliament for the purpose made the year of this present reign prohibiting the Importation of Tobacco in bulk into the kingdom of England & after the 29th of September 1700) among other things enacted, That from and after the first day of June 1700 no Tobacco Should be shipt in order to be exported otherwise Than in Cast Chest or Cases to Contain as in the said act is mentioned . . . And Whereas it hath been Represented to the Governor Council & Assembly That there is att the present time greated Quantities of Tobacco within this government than can be caried to England in Cast for want of Shipps, Unless the time in the said Law Limited prohibiting carying some tobacco in bulk be protracted, which in probability, may be safely done & yet enforce the aforesaid act of Parliment; Be it therefore enacted by the authority aforesaid That from & after the first day of the fifth month July next ensuing no Tobacco shall be shipt in order to be transported otherwise than in Cast Chest or Case to contain & weigh as is abovesaid & under the Same penalties forfeited & proviso as in the above recited Laws are provided Anything in the said Law or any other Law of this province or territories to the contrary thereof in anywise not withstanding

A.P.S., Original Laws of Pennsylvania from 1693 to 1700, f. 213. Act of June 7, 1700, No.4. See Vol. II St.L. 95, ch. LXXX.