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An Act to regulate the exportation of Pot Ash & Pearl Ash

Act 1. Whereas Pot Ash and Pearl Ash are likely to become considerable articles of Exportation from this State, & inconveniences may arise from a want of their being inspected

" 2 Be it enacted & it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Free men of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, & by the Authority of the same.

That the President or Vice President & Supreme Executive Council shall be, & they are hereby authorized & empowered to appoint a skillfull & discreet person to be Inspector of Pot & Pearl Ash for this State, whose powers & duties shall be as they are herein after described; who shall be empowered to appoint a suitable number of deputies under him;

That such Inspector & every of his deputies previously to entering on the execution of their respective Offices shall take an Oath or Affirmation before a Magistrate of the City or County in which they shall be appointed faithfully & impartially to perform their trust & duty to the best of their skill & understanding according to the directions of this act. And in case of Death, misbehavior in Office or inability, it shall be lawfull for the President or Vice President, & Supreme Executive Council to appoint another Inspector from time to time, as the case shall require that none of the sd. inspectors or his deputies during their continuance in Office shall directly or indirectly vend or Barter or trade in Pot or Pearl Ash, under the Penalty of One hundred pounds, to be recovered by action of debt, by any person who will sue for the same. The one moiety thereof, to the use of the person suing, and the other moiety thereof to the use of this State; and every Inspector or Deputy Inspector, being so thereof convicted, shall thereupon be disabled from holding their respective Offices.

Act 3 And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid that from and after the enacting hereof no person or persons whatever shall ship or cause to be shipped any Pot or Pearl Ash for Exportation out of this State, before he or they shall submit the same to the examination of the Inspector of the Port, & when the same shall