Soveraigne Lord King Wm the Third at Annapolis
in Anne Arundel County Published an Act
for regulating of Ordinaries and Limiting ye
number of them within this Province wch sd
Act is Plain in Force and unrepealed —
It was Enacted Amongst other things ye
any Ordinary Keeper & mnholder yt shall
after ye Passing and Assisting ye rates and
prices of Liquors by ye Comd of ye Sev.ll
County Courts Directly or indirectly take
Exact demand or receive for ye price and pay
for any such Liquors for wch the rates and
prices shall be Set and Assessed as in ye sd
Act is exp.d of any person or persons whatsoever
above ye rates and prices so Assessed as aforesd
shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay
the Sum of five hundred pounds of
tob.o and half thereof to his Maty his Heirs
& Successors for ye use of ye County and yt other
half to him or them that shall informe or
Sue for ye same & forthwith such debt
so Unjustly charged Exacted & demanded
ye sd forfeiture to be recovered in any Court
of Record within this Province wherein
no Essoyne protection or Wager of law
to be allowed as by ye sd Act of Assembly
Amongst other things it more plainly
appears Neverthless the sd Nicholas

Well knowing the sd Law to be in full force & vigour
not regarding ye Same but ye Same & Penalties
therein contained Slighting & Contemning Peng-
after ye Publication thereof to wit the 23d
day of August in ye Yeare of our Lord 1699 &
at Dorsey alias Hunting Creek and after at Charles-
Town in Prince George County did Exact &
demand for ye price and pay for divers Liquors
for wch ye rates and prices were Set and Assessed
by ye Comd of Prince George County Court
of ye sd Mathew who as Witness about ye rates
& prices voc assessed by ye sd Comd of Prince
Geo: County pursuant to ye Act aforesd Viz one
pottle of Syder 15 lbs one pottle of Beere 20
3 pottles of Beere 60 one quart of Flipp 15 one
pottle of Flipp 30 1 Gill of Rum 8 - Sower 9 lbs
Flipp 45 - 1 pottle of Beere 20 - one Gill of rum
to 2 pottles of Flipp 60 lbs contrary to ye
true intent & Meaning and against the form of ye
before recited Act of Assembly by which any
Action hath Accrued to ye said Mathew who as well
to demand & have of ye sd Nicholas as Well for
our sd Lord ye King as himselfe the aforesd Sum
of five thousand pounds of tob to wit 500 lbs
for each offence aforesaid Neverthless ye sd
Nicholas Altho often required thereto Sum of

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