

Therefore, in Pursuance and Execution of the said Power, and for remedying the Inconveniencies aforesaid, to the End that all the Inhabitants of the said Borough, Poor as well as Rich, may be the better accommodated and supplied with Provisions, by knowing where to resort for the purchasing thereof; and also for accommodating the Country People with a proper and convenient Place for vending such Articles of Provision as they shall respectively bring to the said Town; *It is Ordained and Established, by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commons in this Common Council assembled, and by the Authority of the same,* That the open Space or Floor under the Court-house in *Newbern* aforesaid, and the open Ground round about the same, be, and the same is hereby Established, made and appointed, to be the Market Place of the said Borough, for the vending and selling of Cattle, Goods Wares and Merchandizes, and all Manner of fresh Provisions, of Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Veal, Swines Flesh, Venison, Poultry, Corn, Meal, Flour, Butter, Eggs, and Garden Wares.

And it is Ordained, That on the Feast of *St. Michael* the Archangel next, being the Twenty Ninth Day of this Instant *September*, and on every *Wednesday* and *Saturday* afterwards, it shall and may be lawful to and for all Butchers, Poulterers, Country Planters, and others, to bring to the said Market, all Manner of Cattle, Goods Wares and Merchandises, and there sell and utter the same; and also to hang up, or put to open Shew or Sale, his or their Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Veal, Swines Flesh, Venison, Poultry, Corn, Meal, Flour, Butter, Eggs, and Garden Wares, from Sun rise until Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, and on *Saturdays* between the First of *May* and First Day of *October*, from the Hour of Four of the Clock until the Hour of Ten of the Clock in the Afternoon.

And for remedying the Inconveniencies that do and may arise from the vending corrupt, unsound; and adulterate Provisions, which is a Nuisance of the most dangerous Nature, and hurtful to the Health of his Majesty's Subjects, by Persons hawking the same about in the Outskirts, and other Parts of the said Borough, whereby they evade the Inspection of the Chief Magistrate, whose Duty it is, as far as in him lies, to prevent and prohibit the same from being sold, or imposed upon his Majesty's Subjects: And also, for the better Encouraging of Country Planters and others to bring in and furnish the said Markets with wholesome Provisions on the Days aforesaid, and that they may have the greater Certainty of selling and disposing of the same; *It is Ordained, by the Authority aforesaid,* That from and after the said Twenty Ninth Day of *September*, no Person or Persons whatsoever shall hawk about, or expose to Sale, any Provisions on any other Day or Place except such Part as shall remain unsold after the Hour of Ten of the Clock on the Market-days aforesaid; under the Penalty

of Five Shillings Proclamation Money; to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offenders Goods, and applied for the Public Use and Benefit of the said Corporation.

And it is likewise Ordained, (in Regard the Markets are principally intended for the Benefit of House-keepers who buy for their own private Use,) That the Retailers or Traders of this Borough who buy Corn, Meal, Butter, and Eggs, to sell again, shall not enter into the said Market to buy from the Country People to carry the same to their Houses or Shops, until after the Hour of Nine of the Clock on the respective Days, to the End that House-keepers may have an Opportunity of providing themselves in the Morning at the first Hand; upon Pain, that every such Retailer so offending, shall, every Time offending herein, forfeit the Sum of Forty Shillings, Proclamation Money; to be levied by Sale of his or her Goods, and applied for the Public Use and Benefit of the said Corporation.

And to the End that Forestalling, Re-grating and Ingrossing of Provisions may be the better prevented, that no Person or Persons, from and after the said Twenty Ninth Day of *September* Instant, shall buy, or cause to be bought, any Provisions or Victuals within the said Borough of *Newbern* coming to the said Market, or make any Bargain, Contract or Promise, for the same, or any Part thereof, so coming as aforesaid, upon Pain, that every such Forestaller, Re-grator, or Ingrosser, shall forfeit the Sum of Forty Shillings, Proclamation Money; to be levied and applied as aforesaid.

Provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be construed to extend to hinder any Person whatsoever, during the Times of Slaughtering Beef and Pork for Exportation, from supplying the Inhabitants of the said Town with so much or such Parts thereof as they shall be minded to purchase for their private Use.

And Provided also, That nothing herein contained shall hinder, or be construed to hinder any Person exercising the Trade, Mystery, or Calling of a Butcher within the said Borough of *Newbern*, from exercising the Trade, Mystery, or Calling, as fully and effectually, as if this Act had not been made: Provided that such Butcher shall expose his Meat at the Market Place aforesaid.

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