

shall obtain or get into his hands, by buying, contracting, or promise taking (other than by demise, grant, or lease of land, or in payment for debt heretofore created) any goods, wares, or merchandise, within this state, except from the original importer or manufacturer, with intent to sell the same again within this state, or in any of the adjoining states, such person shall be adjudged an engrosser, and, on conviction thereof in the general or any county court, shall forfeit any of the articles aforesaid so bought or got into his possession, one half to the state and the other half to the informer, and may be fined not exceeding five thousand pounds, or imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

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XVII.

IV. **Provided always, and it is hereby declared,** That the buying of any goods, wares, or merchandise, by any agent of this or the United States, for the public use, or the purchasing materials for the carrying on manufactories, and so converted in the house of the purchaser, or the buying of provisions by any licensed ordinary-keeper for the use of his ordinary, shall not be deemed engrossing within this act.

V. **And be it enacted,** That no person shall purchase any goods imported into, or manufactured within, this state, to sell, barter or exchange again, unless he shall purchase the same from the original importer or manufacturer, under the penalty of forfeiting the goods so purchased, one half to the state and the other half to the informer, and under the further penalty of one thousand pounds for each offence: but this restraint shall not extend to licensed ordinary-keepers, so as to prohibit them from purchasing liquors and other necessaries for the common use of their ordinaries.

Penalty on
persons buy-
ing goods, &c.
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VI. **And be it enacted,** That every retailer shall sell goods purchased of the importer or manufacturer, for ready money if required, at not more than the rate of thirty per centum profit on the purchase money paid to the importer or manufacturer, and the charges of transportation or carriage to the place where exposed to sale, except the articles of salt and brown sugar, which shall be sold at not more than thirty-five per centum profit on the purchase money, and the charges aforesaid; and the purchaser, if a resident of this state, or if he sell the same by retail within this state, shall deliver into the clerk's office of the county where he resides, as soon as may be, an invoice or list on oath, or (if a menonist, quaker, or dunker) affirmation, signed by the importer and the purchaser, of all the goods, wares, or merchandise, bought by such purchaser, and the price thereof; and the person so selling as importer, if a resident, shall, under the penalty of one thousand pounds, make oath before a justice of the peace, that he is the original importer of the goods, wares, and merchandise, mentioned in such list or invoice to have been imported by him or on his account; and the retailer shall make oath in like manner, under the penalty of two thousand pounds, that he will not, directly or indirectly, sell any part or parcel of the goods mentioned in the said list or invoice for more than the advance by this act limited and ascertained; which said oaths shall be written at the foot of such list or invoice; and such purchaser or retailer shall not, directly or indirectly, sell or offer to expose to sale, any part or parcel of the goods so bought from the importer or manufacturer, until such list or invoice, proved as aforesaid, shall be delivered to the
county

Retailers to
sell at 30 per
cent. advance,
&c.