

pounds of butter, the length of the stave, from croe to croe, to be seventeen inches, the diameter of the head to be thirteen inches, the thickness of the staves to be, as nearly as may be, three quarters of an inch, and of the head, as nearly as may be, half an inch, and the package to weigh, as nearly as possible, but in no case to exceed, thirteen pounds when dry; and the weight of each package shall be branded on the outside of the firkin or keg, at the centre of the stave or bilge, with the name of the maker thereof, under a penalty of five shillings currency per package, upon any cooper who shall contravene the requirements of this Act, as aforesaid: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall apply to any packages other than those containing butter submitted for inspection.

VII. And be it enacted, That in inspecting Butter, the Inspector shall take out the head of each firkin or keg, and shall pass the taster through the butter, from end to end, and shall empty out or throw aside all salt or pickle which, in his judgment, shall not be necessary to the preservation of the butter, and after he shall have ascertained the quality of the butter, he shall replace so much thereof as he may have taken out, and if there shall in his judgment be a deficiency of loose salt, so that he shall think the preservation and condition of the butter would be promoted by an additional quantity of salt, he shall add such quantity: he shall then have the packages securely headed and coopered, and shall scribe or brand on the head of the package the gross weight thereof in pounds avoirdupoise, excluding fractional parts of a pound, and the tare which shall include one pound weight for each firkin, and two pounds weight for each keg, for soakage over the above cooper's tare; and he shall then brand on the head his own name, the month, year, and place of inspection, and the quality of the butter, as "First," "Second," "Third," or "Fourth," or as "Grease," according to the quality of the butter, and adopting the standard of quality and system of classification in use in that portion of the United Kingdom called Ireland; first, removing all such marks (the distinguishing mark of the owner of the butter excepted) on the package as may interfere with the brands or marks of the Inspector.

VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be further the duty of each of the said Inspectors, to provide himself with suitable and convenient premises for the storage and inspection of butter, and to keep all packages of butter delivered to him for inspection, while they remain in his possession, in some place safe from the injuries of the weather or of floods, and under a tight roof; and any Inspector contravening this provision, shall forfeit and pay to the owner the sum of five shillings currency, for every package not stored as aforesaid, besides the actual damages that may be sustained by such owner.

IX. And be it enacted, That for all the services to be performed as aforesaid, including unheading, weighing, salting, heading, tightening hoops, making and branding, and ten days' storage, each Inspector shall be entitled to receive six pence, currency, of this Province, for every package of butter by him inspected as aforesaid,—and if re-inspected, four pence, together

with the actual cost or charge of any package by him furnished, or for *extra* cooperage or repairs done to packages containing butter by him inspected, and no more; the charge for which said *extra* cooperage and repairs shall not in any case exceed three pence per package; and in consideration of which, all packages shall be delivered in good shipping order, and such charges shall be paid by the person or persons offering such butter for inspection, or his or their Agents; and each Inspector shall further be entitled to receive one penny halfpenny currency, per month, per firkin, and one penny per keg, per month, for the storage of each package of butter, which shall remain stored with him as aforesaid, more than ten days after the date of the Invoice, Weigh Note, or Inspection Bill, and such storage shall be paid by the person or persons receiving or shipping the said butter, his or their Agent; but in no case shall any storage be paid or required, when the butter shall not have remained stored as aforesaid during ten days from the date of the Inspection Bill; and all the charges of inspection and storage shall be payable before the butter shall be re-delivered to the Inspector; and the Inspector shall furnish a Bill of Inspection signed by him, and specifying neatly and legibly the quantity and quality of the butter, the charges thereon, and the owner's name.

XV. And be it enacted, That if any person or persons shall counterfeit any of the aforesaid marks or brands of any Inspector of Butter, or shall impress or brand the same, knowing the same to be counterfeit, on any package or packages of butter, or any other mark or marks purporting to be the mark or marks of the Inspector, or of any Manufacturer of butter, either with the proper marking tools of such Inspector or Manufacturer, or with counterfeit representations thereof, or shall empty any package or packages of butter marked or branded as aforesaid by an Inspector or Manufacturer, in order to put therein other butter for sale or exportation, without first cutting out the said brand-marks, or shall fraudulently pack therein any other substance than the butter packed in the same by the Inspector or Manufacturer, and if any person in the employ of any Inspector or Manufacturer of butter, shall hire or loan out the marks of his employer to any person whatsoever, or shall connive at, or be privy to, any fraudulent evasion of the provisions of this Act, such person or persons shall for every such offence, incur a penalty of £50 current money of this Province.

XVI. And be it enacted, That if any dispute shall arise between any Inspector or Assistant Inspector, and the proprietor or possessor of any butter, with regard to the quality thereof, then upon application to any one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the District in which such Inspector or his Assistant shall act, the said Justice of the Peace shall issue a Summons to three persons of skill and integrity, one whereof to be named by the Inspector or his Assistant, another by the proprietor or possessor of the butter, and the third by the said Justice of the Peace, requiring the said three persons immediately to examine and inspect the same according to the provisions of this Act, and report their opinion of the quality and