

weighmaster and such assistants in the discharge of their aforesaid duties, shall be conclusive upon all parties interested therein.

9. At all elevators and warehouses where the Government weighmaster or his assistant is not present, the owner, or proprietor, or agent of a company, shall weigh the grain offered in the following manner:—

Mode of weighing grain where there is no weighmaster.

10 First. The grain shall be weighed in the vision of the interested party. He shall ascertain the gross weight of the quantity offered.

15 Second. He shall then clean it (if requested) on the same floor and in the presence of the interested party. Having separated the seeds and dirt, the same shall be weighed and the weight shall be deducted from the gross weight, and a certificate given to the interested party setting forth the gross weight and the net weight after deducting the weight of seeds and dirt, which shall also appear on the face of the certificate. The cleanings thus deducted shall be the property of the grain producer, and may be taken away should he so desire.

10. The Commission shall fix the fees to be paid for the weighing of grain and other property, which fees shall be paid by the owner of the elevator or warehouseman, and may be added to the charges for storage.

Fees for weighing.

25 11. The Government weighmaster or any of his assistants shall not be a member of any board of trade or association of like character. They shall give bonds to the Commission in the sum of five thousand dollars, conditional upon the faithful discharge of their duties, and shall receive such compensation as the Commission determines.

Qualification of weighmasters.

Bonds.

12. The rules and regulations to govern the grain weighing service at elevators, warehouses and mills shall be prepared and adopted by the Commission, and changed from time to time as the interests of the trade seem to demand.

Regulations as to weighing of grain.

35 13. In case any person, warehouse or railway corporation, or any of their agents or employees, prevent the chief weighmaster, or any of his assistants, from having access to their scales in the regular performance of their duties in supervising and weighing of grain or other property in accordance with this

40 Act, they shall forfeit the sum of one hundred dollars for each offence, to be recovered in an action of debt in any court of competent jurisdiction, such penalty or forfeiture to be paid to the treasurer of the Commission for the benefit of the grain supervising fund, and shall also be required to pay all costs of

45 prosecution.

Interference with weighmasters.

Penalty.

14. Any duly authorized inspector or deputy inspector of grain, or any duly authorized weighmaster or deputy weighmaster of grain, who is guilty of any neglect of duty, or who knowingly or carelessly inspects, grades or weighs any grain improperly, or accepts money or other consideration, directly or indirectly, for any neglect of duty, or any improper per-

Misconduct by inspector or weighmaster.