Tare to be fixed.

VIII. In order to prevent damage or loss which might be sustained in unpacking Flour or Meal, to ascertain the Tare of the Barrels or Half Barrels, it shall be lawful for the Weigher to affix a tare, according to his best judgment, without unpacking or weighing the same—which judgment shall be final, unless disputed by the Buyer or Seller, in which case the Barrel or Half Barrel may be unpacked, but the reasonable expense attending the same shall be paid by the party complaining.

Penalty for unlawful Branding. IX. If any Weigher of Flour and Meal shall brand any Barrel or Half Barrel contrary to the meaning of this Act, he shall be liable to a Penalty of Forty Shillings for every Barrel, and Twenty Shillings for every Half Barrel, and every Weigher offending in any other manner against the meaning of this Act, shall be liable to a Penalty of Ten Pounds.

Flour or Meal manufactured in the Province excluded.

X. These Provisions shall not extend to the Weighing of Barrels or Packages of Flour or Meal manufactured within the Province, if branded with the Name of the Proprietor of the Mill in which such Flour or Meal was manufactured, and have the net weight thereof distinctly branded thereon, unless the Purchaser thereof shall require that the same should be weighed by the Public Weigher; and if any such Flour or Meal shall be sold without being so marked, or the Barrel or Package so branded, shall not contain the full weight branded thereon, the Proprietor of such Mill shall be liable to the Penalties imposed by the Fifth Section of this Act.

City Council may make Bye Laws. MI. The City Council may pass such Bye-Laws, to be enforced by any Penalty not exceeding Ten Pounds, as may be deemed necessary for the further regulation of such Officers within the City of Halifax.

Recovery of Penalty.

XII. Every Penalty incurred under this Act, or in the City of Halifax under this Act or any Byc-Law made pursuant thereto, may be recovered, with Costs of Suit, in the name of any person suing for the same, in the same manner as if it were a Private Debt due to him; and the amount of the Penalty so recovered shall, in the City of Halifax, be paid one half to the person suing for the same, and the other half to the City Treasurer, for the use of the City; and in other Counties, Townships or Districts, one half to the person suing for the same, and the other half to the use of the Poor thereof.

Flour for exportation excepted.

XIII. The provisions of this Act shall not extend to Wheaten Flour which may be Warehoused, and shall be taken therefrom for exportation from the Province.

CAP. VIII.

An Act for taking the Census of the Province, and obtaining Statistical information.

(Passed the 28th day of March, A. D. 1850.)

Board to be appointed.

BE it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:

I. Two Members of the Executive Council, to be appointed by the Governor in Council, shall, together with the Financial Secretary for the time being, constitute a Board of Registration and Statistics.

Board to prepare Schedules, &c. II. The Board shall prepare and cause to be printed and circulated as hereinafter provided, all such Forms and Schedules as to them shall seem best adapted for the purposes of this Act, and such instructions as they shall deem necessary for the guidance of the persons appointed to take the Census or enumerations hereinafter provided for.

Board to prepare Statistics, &c. III. The Board shall have the General Supervision of the Statistics of the Province, and shall cause to be prepared annually, and laid before the Legislature at an early period