

after which day all Barrels shall be Inspected in conformity with such Fifth Sections, any thing herein notwithstanding, it being the intention of this Act to extend the time only.

CAP. VII.

An Act for the Weighing of Flour.

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

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

I. The Court of General Sessions, or a Special Sessions, may, if they think proper, annually appoint Weighers of Flour and Meal for their respective Counties, or for particular Townships or Districts therein, who shall, when Sworn into Office, have the same Authority and perform the same Duty as the Weighers of Flour and Meal in the City of Halifax.

Court of General Sessions to appoint Weigher of Flour.

II. All Weighers of Flour and Meal appointed by the City Council, shall before entering upon the Duties of their Office, give security by Bond to the City of Halifax, in such penal sum, and with two such sufficient Sureties as may be approved of by the City Council, conditioned for the faithful performance of their duties, and shall take the following Oath before the Mayor, or one of the Aldermen :

Weighers to give Security.

“ I A. B., do swear that I will faithfully and impartially, to the best of my judgment, perform the Duties of Weigher of Flour and Meal according to Law.”

Oath.

III. All Flour or Meal Imported or brought into, or offered for Sale in the City, or in any of the Counties, Townships or Districts, for which Weighers of Flour and Meal may be hereafter appointed, in Barrels or Half Barrels shall, immediately, and before being used or offered for Sale, or carried out of the City, or any such other County, or Township or District, be Weighed by one of the Weighers of Flour and Meal, and each Barrel of Flour or Meal shall contain not less than One Hundred and Ninety-six Pounds net weight, and each Half Barrel of Flour or Meal not less than Ninety-eight Pounds net weight.

Every Barrel of Flour to be weighed.

IV. Every Barrel or Half Barrel of Flour or Meal found to be of full Weight, shall be branded by the Weigher, with the Initials of his Christian Name, and his Surname at full length, and with Figures denoting the Net Weight ; and no Barrel or Half Barrel found to be deficient in Weight shall be branded until the Importer or Owner shall have the deficiency supplied.

Barrels to be branded

V. Every person sending from, or offering for Sale within the City, or within any such County, Township or District, any Barrel or Half Barrel of Flour or Meal deficient in Weight, or without the same having been previously branded as aforesaid, shall be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Twenty Shillings for each Barrel, and Ten Shillings for each Half Barrel, and the sum of Six Pence for every Pound Weight deficient.

Penalty.

VI. The Weighers of Flour and Meal shall receive from the person employing them to weigh the same, for each Barrel of Flour or Meal, One Penny, and for each Half Barrel One Half Penny.

Fees.

VII. When any Barrel or Half Barrel of Flour or Meal shall, after having been branded, be emptied of its contents, the Brands thereon shall be erased before the same shall be refilled for the purposes of Exportation or Sale ; and any person refilling or causing to be refilled, any such Barrel or Half Barrel, without first erasing the Brands, shall be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Shillings for each Barrel, and Two Shillings and Six Pence for each Half Barrel.

Erasure of Brands.