

An Act to prohibit improper Speculation in the Sale
of Butter or Cheese.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the
Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as
follows:—

- 1.** This Act may be cited as *Butter and Cheese Sales Act*, Short title.
5 1898.
- 2.** This Act shall come into operation on the first day of Commence-
January, 1899. ment of Act.
- 3.** Every one who, by himself or through the agency of Selling cheese
another person, (a) sells, or (b) offers to sell, or (c) agrees to or butter not
10 sell, or (d) agrees to offer to sell, any butter or cheese which in existence or
at the time such sale, offer or agreement is made, has not been owned by
manufactured and is not his property or the property of some seller.
person for whom he is duly authorized to act, is guilty of an
offence, and liable, on summary conviction, to the following
15 penalties :
(a.) For a first offence, to a fine not exceeding five hundred Penalty for
dollars or imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for not first offence.
more than three months, or to both such fine and imprison-
ment ;
20 b. For a second, and any subsequent offence, to a fine not For subse-
exceeding one thousand dollars, or to imprisonment, with or quent offence
without hard labour, for not more than six months, or to both
such fine and imprisonment.
- 4.** Any pecuniary penalty hereby imposed shall, when re- Application
25 covered, be payable one-half to the informant, and the other of penalties.
half to Her Majesty.
- 5.** The Governor in Council may make such regulations and Governor in
appoint such officers as he considers necessary in order to Council may
secure the efficient operation of this Act; and the regulations make regula-
30 so made shall be in force from the date of their publication in tions and
the *Canada Gazette* or from such other date as is specified in appoint
the proclamation in that behalf. officers.
- 6.** Nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit any person Exception.
who is duly authorized to act for the person or persons who
35 supply milk to any dairy or butter or cheese factory, from
selling, or offering to sell or agreeing to sell, any butter or
cheese to be manufactured at such dairy or cheese factory
or butter factory.