

ried to the
market place.

such provision, before the same shall be brought to the market place, shall forfeit twenty shillings.

All bad meat,
or fish or other
provision to be
forfeited.

V. All blown meat, and meat fraudulently or deceitfully set off, all veal under three weeks old, and all tainted meat, fish, or other provisions whatever, shall be forfeited; to be disposed of, in such manner as the commissioner of the peace, to whom complaint shall be made, may direct.

Penalty on
persons taking
any commodi-
ty by force.

VI. Any person who shall take, or attempt to take, forcibly, and at an arbitrary price, any commodity brought to market, shall forfeit the sum of Ten shillings.

Manner of re-
covering the
penalties and
forfeitures in-
flicted by this
ordinance.

VII. All penalties and forfeitures incurred by offences against this ordinance, shall be recovered by information before any one commissioner of the peace, who shall hear and determine the same in a summary manner, upon the oath of one credible witness (being some other than the informer) and shall cause the sum forfeited, together with the costs of suing for the same, to be levied by a warrant under his hand, to seize and sell the goods of the offender; one half of such forfeitures (except in the case of the fifth article) shall belong to His Majesty the King, and the other half to the informer. And it shall be lawful for any Commissioner of the Peace, to convict any person, guilty of any offence against this Ordinance, on his own view of such offence; in which case, the whole forfeiture (except in the case mentioned in the fifth article) shall belong to his said Majesty.

Conviction
may be on
view, by a
commissioner
of the peace.

Prosecutions
to commence
within fifteen
days.

All prosecutions for offences against this ordinance, shall be begun within fifteen days from the commission of the offence.

GUY CARLETON.

Ordained and enacted by the authority aforesaid, and passed in Council under the Great Seal of the Province, at the Council Chamber in the Castle of St. Lewis, in the City of Quebec, the fourth day of March, in the seventeenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of God of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven.

By His Excellency's Command,

J. WILLIAMS, C. L. C.