

that no Flour be passed or branded by him, without his viewing and examining the same; and that he will not brand, or cause to be branded, any Cask or Casks of Flour, that does not appear to the best of his Skill and Knowledge, to be in all Respects sufficiently clean, sweet, and merchantable, so as to be of equal Goodness and Fineness with the like Commodities usually exported from the neighbouring trading Colonies; for the viewing and branding whereof, he shall receive from the Owner or Owners thereof the Sum of Threepence Current Money, *per* Barrel, and no more.

No Corn to be shipped from North-East River, except from this Town.

*And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That after such Viewer and Examiner shall be appointed in Manner aforesaid, no Flour whatsoever shall be shipped off for Trade or Exportation, from any other Place or Landing on *North-East* River, but that all Flour from thence intended to be shipped off, shall be brought either by Land or by Water to the said Town, and be there viewed and branded by the Officer aforesaid, on Penalty of Forfeiture of the said Flour, or Value thereof, to be recovered in any County-Court of this Province, by Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Effoin, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed, one Moiety of which Forfeiture to be paid to the Informer, the other Moiety to be paid to the Commissioners, or the major Part of them, for the Time being, to be applied towards the building, repairing, and maintaining the said public Wharf and Warehouse, and to be accounted for as aforesaid.

Flour nor merchantable to be mark'd.

*And be it further Enacted,* That any Person or Persons bringing Flour to the said Town, to be viewed and examined as aforesaid, which shall prove on Examination thereof to be unmerchantable, according to the Intent and Meaning of this Act, the said Officer shall not brand the same, but cause it to be marked on the Head or Bulge with the broad Arrow, or secure it for a further Examination if required, which the Owner shall not delay above Twenty-four Hours; nevertheless the said Officer shall demand and receive from the Owner or Owners thereof the same Rate and Price as if he put the Brand thereon: *Provided,* That when any Person or Persons shall think him, her, or themselves aggrieved, through the Judgment or Want of Skill of the said Officer, it shall and may be lawful for him, her, or them, to apply to one or other of the said Commissioners, who shall at the Charge of the said Complainant issue Summons to two or more indifferent Persons well skilled in the said Manufacture, to review and examine the same, which if they shall pass and declare to be merchantable, then the said Officer shall raze out the broad Arrow, and put the Brand on the said Flour, and repay the said Cost; but if on such Review, the Judgment of the said Officer is confirmed, then the said Owner or Owners of such Flour shall, besides the said Cost, forfeit and pay one Shilling Current Money *per* Barrel, to be recovered before a single Magistrate, and to be paid to the Commissioners, to be applied as aforesaid.

Proviso.

Such Flour not to be exported.

*And be it further Enacted,* That it shall not be lawful for any Person or Persons to export the said Flour so marked with the broad Arrow, nor any other Cask or Casks of Flour not examined and branded as aforesaid, out of the *North-East* River, on Pain of Forfeiture of Five