

Liber R. G. Authority, as if he had been by the said Commissioners, regularly
1771 nominated & appointed.

[Wheat Flour, brought for Exportation, to be made merchantable, &c.] p. 116
And be it further enacted, That all Wheat Flour, bolted & brought to the said Town for Exportation from & after the first Day of January next shall by the Bolters thereof be made merchantable, & of due Fineness, without any Mixture of coarser or other Flour, & well packed in good strong well-seasoned Casks with the Tare thereof marked thereon.

[Persons putting a wrong Tare on any Cask of Flour, to forfeit 10 s. Currency, &c.]
And be it further enacted That if any Person or Persons, shall put a false or wrong Tare, on any Cask of Flour more than one Pound Weight to the Disadvantage of the Purchaser, such Person or Persons shall forfeit & pay for every such Cask, wrongfully or falsely tared as aforesaid the Sum of ten Shillings Current Money, & the Inspector upon Suspicion or upon the Request of the Buyer, shall uncase or unpack any such Cask of Flour, in Order to try the Tare thereof, & if the said Cask or Casks, be found to be tared, more than one Pound less than the true Weight, the Bolter thereof shall pay the Charge & Expence of unpacking or uncasing & repacking or recasing over & above the Sum of two Pence Current Money for each Cask as aforesaid but if the Weight of the same, is not more than one Pound less than the Tare thereon marked, then the Officer, or Purchaser at whose Request such Trial be made shall pay the Costs of unpacking or uncasing & repacking or recasing.

[Casks of Flour for Exportation, shall be submitted to the Inspector, and if merchantable to be branded with the Degree of Fineness.]
And be it further enacted That all & every Cask of Flower brought to the said Town, to be from thence laden & shipped for Exportation, shall be submitted to the View & Examination of the Inspector aforesaid, so as aforesaid nominated & appointed, who shall search & try the same, by boring the Head & piercing it through, with an Instrument to be contrived for that Purpose, in Order to prove whether it be honestly & well packed, as also to enable him to judge of it's Goodness & shall afterwards plug up the Hole, & if the said Officer shall judge the same to be merchantable, according to the Directions of this present Act, he shall brand every such Cask of Flour on the Quarter, with the Word George Town Patowmack, with a public Brand Mark to be provided for that Purpose & shall also brand & mark the Degree of Fineness which he shall on Inspection determine the said Flour to be of, which Degree shall be distinguished as follows, to wit, Superfine, fine Middling, Ship Stuff, for which Trouble he the said Inspector shall have & receive of the Owner of such Flour the Sum of one Penny & an half of a Penny current Money, for each Cask & no more.

[Inspector's Allowance.]
[Unmerchantable Flour to be marked on the Bilge with a broad Arrow ;]
And be it further enacted That the said Inspector of Flour shall not brand any Flour, which shall prove on Examination thereof to be unmerchantable according to the true Intent & Meaning of this Act, but shall cause the same to be marked on the Bilge, with a broad Arrow, or secure it for a further Examination if required which