

GUANO.

398. The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall biennially appoint a practical chemist of integrity and good character, as inspector of guano in the city of Baltimore.

399. All persons importing or bringing any guano to said city for the purpose of being sold, landed or transshipped within the limits of said city, shall give notice to the said inspector, who shall thereupon proceed to inspect and analyze, weigh and mark the same.

400. He shall analyze all guano so as to show the percentage of its ammonial and phosphate compound, and shall mark the quality thus ascertained upon each bag, barrel, cask, tierce, box, package or parcel, or upon any thing containing the guano, in accordance with the following scale: Commencing with the letter A., which shall indicate in Peruvian guano that the parcel so marked contains from fifteen to eighteen per cent. of ammonia; the letter B., indicating from twelve and a half to fifteen per cent.; the letter C., indicating from ten to twelve and a half per cent.; the letter D., indicating from seven to ten per cent.; and a similar table shall be arranged by the inspector to indicate the quantity of phosphates contained in Mexican and Patagonian guano; and upon other varieties of guano similar marks indicating its quality shall be used.

401. If the guano be inspected in bulk so that there is nothing to put a mark upon, the analysis shall be marked upon the bags, barrels or other packages the guano may be placed in for sale, and the inspector shall give a certificate to the owner or his agent of the analysis, and quality and quantity of such guano, with the name of the vessel in which the same was imported.

402. He shall mark upon each bag, barrel, keg or cask the place of inspection, and the weight of guano therein, making allowance for the weight of the bag, barrel, keg or cask.

403. He shall keep an office in some convenient part of the city, and shall keep an analysis of every cargo or parcel of guano inspected by him, and enter the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall, by himself, or some other person having charge of his books, give to any person desirous