

Half bushel or Peck; and a farthing for a Gallon, Pottle, Quart, Pint or Half-pint, upon due Proof and Conviction, shall incur the Penalties in 17 Car. 2. c. 19. 22 Car. 2.

§. 9.
Providing
Measure.

At the charge of such person as hath the Toll and Profit of the Market before the twenty ninth of September, 1670. shall be provided one Measure of Brass, and chained in the Market-place, or else forfeit 5*l.* to be recovered as by that Act is directed. One moiety to the Poor, the other to him that Sues, 22 Car. 2.

§. 10.
Search.

Every Constable shall search if any use any other Measure, or shall strike the same otherwise than that Act directs, or buy or sell by unsealed Measures; and if he find any unsealed, to break it, and to present those Offences to the next private or quarterly Sessions, 22 Car. 2.

§. 11.
Forfeiture.

None shall buy Corn or Salt by the Bag, or unmeasured, being thereunto required, or in any other manner than is by the Act of 22 Car. directed, and that without shaking the Bushel; or if he do, shall besides the Penalties in the former Act, forfeit the Corn or Salt so sold, or the value thereof to the persons complaining, 22 & 23 Car.

§. 12.
Proof.

Upon Complaint to any Justice that any Corn or Salt is sold contrary to the Act, the Defendant must make it appear by one witness, that he bought the same according to that Act, or else to forfeit, as by the former Act is directed, to be levied by Distress and Sale, *proant.* One moiety to the Poor, the other to the Informer, 22 & 23 Car. 2.

Sealing.

Where there is no Clerk of the Market, the Head-officer, or person having the profit of the Market, may Seal Measures, 22 & 23 Car. 2.

And yet notwithstanding the Statutes of Magna Charta, c. 25. and the several Confirmations thereof, and the said Statute 17 Car. 1. c. 19. there always hath been, and still are, two kinds of Weights used in England, and both warrantable: The one by Law, and the other by Custom (as it seemeth) but they are for several sorts of Wares or Commodities; for there is Troy weight and Averdupois.

§. 13.
Sorts of
Weights.

1. Troy weight is by Law; and thereby are weighed Gold, Silver, Pearl, precious Stones, Silk, Electuaries, Bread, Wheat, and all manner of Grain or Corn is measured by Troy weight. And this hath to the pound 12 ounces, or 20 s. sterling weight, and no more. It is called by some, Libra medica; by others, Libra & uncia Trojana.

2. Averdupois weight is by Custom (yet confirmed also by Statute,) and thereby are weighed all kind of Grocery Wares, Physical Drugs, Butter, Cheese, Flesh, Wax, Pitch, Tar, Tallow, Wools, Hemp, Flax, Iron, Steel, Lead, and all other Commodities not before named (as it seemeth) but especially every thing which beareth the name of Garble, and whereof issueth a refuse, or waste, See Raft. 8. fol. 527. and the Book of Assize, Impres. 1597. This is called Libra Civilis.

The word Averdupois in French, is as much as to say, to have full weight, Habere pondus. Geo. Agricola in his Learned Tractate, De ponderibus & mensuris, pag. 339. saith thus of both these kinds of Weights, Medica & civilis libra numero non gravitate unciarum differunt.

And this hath to the pound 16 ounces, or 25 s. sterling weight. Also in this Averdupois weight, unto every Hundred is allowed twelve pounds weight; so as One hundred and twelve pounds make a hundred weight, six and fifty pounds make half a hundred; and twenty eight pounds make a quarter.

Also all manner of Averdupois shall be weighed by lawful Weights, sealed according to the Standard of the Exchequer. P. Weights. 14. 27 Ed. 3. 10.

Averdupois