

C H A P.
XX.
Flour to be
made mer-
chantable, &c

V. **And be it further enacted,** That all bolted wheat flour, and every cask thereof, brought to the said town or Fell's-point for exportation, from and after the first day of December next, shall, by the bolters thereof, be made merchantable and of due fineness, without any mixture of coarser or other flour, and well packed in good strong well seasoned casks, with the tare thereof marked thereon.

Penalty on
bolters put-
ting a wrong
tare on any
cask of flour.

VI. **And be it further enacted,** That if any bolter shall put a false or wrong tare on any cask of flour, more than one pound weight to the disadvantage of the purchaser, such bolter shall forfeit and pay, for every such cask wrongfully or falsely tared as aforesaid, the sum of ten shillings current money, and the inspector, upon his suspicion, or upon the request of the buyer, shall uncase or unpack any such cask of flour, in order to try the tare thereof; and 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 and expence of unpacking or uncaising, and repacking or recasing, over and above the sum of ten shillings 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 inspector or purchaser, at whose request such trial be made, shall pay the costs of unpacking or uncaising, and repacking or recasing.

Occupiers of
mills to make
a manifest,
&c.

VII. **And,** whereas many persons carry their wheat to the mills to be ground and manufactured into flour, and packed in barrels for sale, **Be it further enacted,** That every occupier of a mill, who shall grind and manufacture wheat into flour, and pack the same in barrels for any person or persons carrying wheat to such mill, shall make out, subscribe and deliver, to the person authorized and empowered to take and carry away the said flour, manufactured and packed in barrels as aforesaid, a manifest of the gross, tare and net weights of such flour; and if any occupier of a mill shall neglect to make out, subscribe and deliver, to such person authorized and empowered as aforesaid, the manifest hereby directed, shall forfeit and pay five shillings current money for every barrel of flour which he shall neglect to give such manifest for.

Penalty on
persons offer-
ing flour for
sale less than
the weight
specified, &c.

VIII. **Be it further enacted,** That if any person or persons shall, after the first day of January next ensuing, sell or offer for sale, at Baltimore-town or at Fell's-point, any flour, the weight whereof, upon weighing the same, shall be found under or less than the weights at which the flour shall be offered for sale, or less than the weights contained in the manifest offered and produced by the seller or deliverer, as the true weights of the same flour, he or they shall forfeit and pay, for every pound weight of flour so found under or less than the weights alleged or contained in the manifest, four-pence current money, provided the true weight of such flour, upon weighing the same, shall be found only five pounds under or less than the weight alleged or contained in such manifest; but if the same flour, upon weighing the same, shall be found to fall short of the weight alleged or contained in the manifest, more than the quantity of five pounds, then, and in that case, for every pound weight so found under or less than the weight alleged or contained in the manifest, the person or persons selling or offering the same flour for sale, shall forfeit and pay the sum of four shillings current money; and the inspector of flour is hereby obliged and required, upon request of either the buyer or seller of flour, to weigh any flour sold or offered for sale at any of the places above mentioned, and shall be entitled to demand and receive for weighing the same, of the person or persons, who, upon weighing the flour, shall be found to have been in default, the sum of four-pence current money for each barrel that shall have been weighed; and if the manifest made out, subscribed and delivered, by any occupier of a mill, shall exceed the real gross, tare and net weight of the flour mentioned in the said manifest, and the person owning the same shall incur and be obliged to pay the penalty or penalties aforesaid, for short weight, that then, and in such case, the said owner shall be, and is hereby entitled to a recovery of the said penalty or penalties against the occupier of the mill who made out, subscribed and delivered, such false manifest; which recovery shall be had in the same manner as penalties are herein directed to be recovered.

IX. **And,**