

market-days and during market-hours, at any other place than in the market-house, or on the market-ground aforesaid, such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty shillings current money for each offence.

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VI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That no person shall slaughter or butcher any cattle in or near the said market-house, nor put any horse or other cattle in or under the said market-house, under the penalty of fifteen shillings current money for each offence.

On slaughtering cattle, &c.

VII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners of the said market shall appoint a person of good repute and skill to be clerk of the said market, who may be removed from office by the said commissioners, and the said commissioners shall, from time to time, supply any vacancy in the office of clerk of the market; and the clerk of the market, before he acts as such, shall take an oath, or affirmation, that he will diligently and faithfully perform the duties of clerk of Charles-town market, a certificate of which qualification shall be filed among the proceedings of the said commissioners.

A clerk to be appointed, &c.

VIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the clerk of the said market shall have authority at all times to take care and charge of the market-house and ground aforesaid, and the market thereof, and to examine and inspect the provisions and market-stuff brought thereto for sale, and to try the weight or measure of any provisions or market-stuff made up in parcels, and if the same shall not be found of the weight or measure pretended by the person offering the same for sale, to seize the same, and sell them at public auction at the market-house; and if any provisions or market-stuff be found un-sound or unwholesome, to seize and destroy the same, and to try and adjust the weights and measures used at the said market by the standards of the county, and if any be found false or untrue, to seize the same, and if any can be altered, so as to be made true, to sell the same at public auction at the market-house, or, with the consent and approbation of the said commissioners, to destroy them, if they be incapable of such alteration, one half of the produce of all such sales to be retained by the clerk of the market for his own use, the other half to be paid by him to the commissioners of the market, for the purposes hereafter mentioned; and if any person shall think him or herself aggrieved by any seizure made by the said clerk, he or she may, within five days, appeal to the said commissioners, who shall make such order therein as they shall think just.

His duty, &c.

IX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said market-house and appertences shall be and the same are hereby vested in the said commissioners, and their successors, for the use of, and in trust for, the said town; and the clerk of the said market, under the direction of the said commissioners, shall have power to rent out the stalls and shambles of the said market-house, and to collect the rents, and shall half yearly give to the said commissioners a fair account of all monies received by him, and pay all such sums as may be due by him to the commissioners aforesaid.

Market-house vested, &c.

X. AND BE IT ENACTED, That if any person residing in said town shall hereafter suffer any goat, hog or goose, to go at large in the said town, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings current money for every such goat, hog or goose, suffered so to go at large.

Goats, &c. not to go at large, &c.

XI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That it shall be the duty of the clerk of the market, and of all constables of Charles county, to give information to a justice of Charles county of any breach of this law that may come to their knowledge, and that all fines imposed by this act shall be recovered before a single magistrate, the one half to the use of the informer, the other half to be paid to the said commissioners.

Clerk, &c. to give information, &c.

XII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all monies that may be received by the commissioners aforesaid in virtue of this law, shall be applied to the following purposes, in the order following: First, to make a reasonable compensation, not exceeding ten pounds per year, to the clerk of the market, for his services; secondly, to making any necessary repairs or improvements to the market-house or ground; thirdly, to reimburse, in due proportion, such persons who voluntarily contribute to building the said market-house; and the surplus, if any, shall be paid by the said commissioners to the order of the justices, who may lay the levy for Charles county; and the said commissioners shall annually lay their accounts and proceedings before the county court of Charles county, and the same shall be filed in the proceedings of the said court.

How monies are to be applied, &c.

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John Rogers and Margaret Lee Rogers, de-

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