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sent to such mill, and shall grind, bolt and pack the same as aforesaid, in a reasonable time, and keep and preserve the flour in such mill, if required, for any time not exceeding two months, for the reward of one twelfth part of every bushel of wheat ground, bolted and packed; and in case any such wheat, or any flour made thereof, shall be wasted, destroyed or damaged by the owner of the mill, or any of his servants employed therein, or any such wheat or flour shall be in any manner converted to the use of any such owner or servant, on complaint to the commissioners of the tax, they may issue their summons for the party accused, and after hearing and evidence of the fact (or on his default to appear after notice) they may, by their warrant, directed to the sheriff, cause double the value of such wheat or flour to be levied of the goods and chattels of such owner or servant, or by their warrant commit either or any of them to close prison, till the said double value shall be paid; provided, that where the master shall be answerable for the conduct of the servant, only the value of the wheat or flour shall be levied on the master.

Flour barrels
to be marked,
&c.

LIV. And be it enacted, That all barrels containing public flour shall be marked with a marking iron, or branded, with the name of the person who paid, or the mill which manufactured the same, and the net weight of the flour contained therein and that all casks and barrels containing meat shall be marked as aforesaid, or branded with the name of the person paying the same, or the name of the county where cured, if cured by a commissary, and the weight of the cured meat packed therein; and the commissary, or any of his deputies, curing or purchasing meat for the public, shall mark as aforesaid, or brand his name on the cask containing the same; and if any mill shall not have room to store with convenience the public flour which may be at such mill, the county commissary shall remove so much as may be necessary without delay, and may, if occasion requires, rent proper houses in which to store the same.

Time for col-
lecting the af-
fessment, &c.

LV. And be it enacted, That the said collectors and their deputies shall, immediately after the said first day of June next, collect the half part of the assessment imposed by this act, by distress and sale of any goods or chattels within his county, the property of any person charged therewith, of which sale five days notice, excluding the day of notice and sale, shall be given; and by distress and sale of any goods or chattels found on any land chargeable with the said rate, of which the same notice shall be given; which said sales shall be for current money; and if no effects can be found on the said land, the same shall be chargeable with the assessment which may be unpaid, with six per cent. interest thereon from the first day of June next, in the hands of any purchaser; and any goods at any time found on the premises shall be liable to distress and sale for payment thereof; and the respective collectors shall, from time to time, disclose to the commissioners of his county, his receipts of the rate imposed by this act, and shall, from time to time, pay to the treasurer of his shire, by direction of the commissioners, as far as he shall have received, so that no great sum of money may long remain in his hands.

Commission-
ers to draw on
collectors, &c.

LVI. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of the tax in each county are hereby empowered to draw their order on the present or
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