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XIV.

Hay to be
unpacked and
weighed, &c.

XXIII. **And be it enacted,** That from and after the time herein before limited, all hay, of what kind soever, which shall be brought and sold, or offered for sale, in the said town, shall be unpacked and weighed, if either the purchaser or seller shall require the same to be done, by one or both of the persons to be appointed as aforesaid, with proper weights and scales, or with engines, to be provided for that purpose by equal and proportionable assessments, to be levied on the inhabitants and owners of property in the said town whenever the said commissioners, and a majority of the persons qualified to vote as aforesaid, shall require the same to be provided; and for the trouble in unpacking and weighing such hay, there shall be paid to the weigher or weighers thereof, the sum of four shillings current money for every ton, which shall contain twenty gross hundred weight of hay, and in that proportion for every greater or smaller quantity, the one half to be paid by the buyer, and the other half by the seller.

No weigher
of hay to buy,
&c.

XXIV. **And be it enacted,** That no weigher of hay or corder of wood, either by himself or by any person in trust for him, shall buy, deal or barter for, any hay or firewood on the way, or brought, to the said town for sale, except so much as shall be necessary for the use and consumption of his family and cattle, under the penalty of five shillings for every cord of firewood, and thirty shillings for every ton of hay, so purchased, dealt or bartered for, contrary to this act.

Penalty for
neglect of du-
ty.

XXV. **And be it enacted,** That if any person appointed to weigh hay and cord firewood according to this act, shall refuse or delay to weigh the hay, or cord the wood, which he shall be respectively required to weigh or cord, either by the purchaser or seller, pursuant to the directions hereof, such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings current money for every refusal or delay.

On sellers re-
fusing to have
their wood
corded, &c.

XXVI. **And be it enacted,** That if any person, having brought firewood or hay to the said town for sale, and having sold the same, shall afterwards refuse to suffer such firewood to be corded, packed and measured, or such hay to be unpacked and weighed, by the person or persons to be appointed as aforesaid for these purposes, (the same having been required by the purchaser to be done,) such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten shillings current money for every refusal.

The raising
of geese, &c.
prohibited,
&c.

XXVII. **And be it enacted,** That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to keep or raise any geese or swine within the limits of the said town, except in pens or other enclosures; and if any geese or swine shall be found going at large within the said town, (unless they be such straying geese or swine as may belong to any person or persons not residing within the distance of two miles therefrom,) it shall be lawful for the bailiff of the said town, upon the information of any of the inhabitants thereof, or upon his own view, to distrain and seize all and every such geese or swine, and to secure the same in some common pound to be provided by the said commissioners for that purpose; and all and every such geese and swine, so distrained and secured, shall be forfeited for the benefit of the said town, and shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, and the profits arising from the sale thereof, (except the sum of one shilling for every goose, and the sum of two shillings for every swine, to be retained by the said bailiff for his trouble,) shall be accounted for and rendered by the bailiff to the said commissioners, to be applied by them for the use and advantage of the said town; and moreover every person who shall keep or raise any geese or swine, (except in pens or enclosures as aforesaid,) or shall willingly suffer any such geese or swine to go at large within the said town, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings current money for every goose, and the sum of fifteen shillings like money for every swine, so kept or raised, or going at large, contrary to the provisions of this act.

When money
is to be assess-
ed a list to be
made, &c.

XXVIII. **And be it enacted,** That whenever it shall be judged necessary by the said commissioners, to assess and levy any sum or sums of money on the inhabitants and owners of property in the said town, for any of the purposes, and subject to the provisions, herein before mentioned, the said commissioners shall make out

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