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XIX.
Weigher's
duty.

VI. And be it enacted, That the said weigher shall forthwith weigh all such hay as he may be required from time to time to weigh, under the penalty of forty shillings current money for every refusal or neglect, to be applied to the use aforesaid, and to be recovered as aforesaid.

Who shall
keep a book,
&c.

VII. And be it enacted, That the said weigher shall keep a book, in which he shall enter each and every load of hay, or other long forage, weighed by him, under separate and distinct heads, with the weight thereof, together with the name of the seller of the same, which he shall deliver to the said commissioners whenever and as often as he is required by them, under the penalty of forty shillings current money for every refusal or neglect, to be recovered as aforesaid, to the use aforesaid; and the said weigher is hereby required and directed to make out, under his hand, and deliver to the carrier of the said hay, or other long forage, a certificate, expressing the name of the seller of the hay, or other long forage, with the weight thereof, under the penalty of ten shillings current money for every refusal or neglect, to be recovered as aforesaid, to the use aforesaid.

A wood-corder
to be appointed,
&c.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a majority of them, shall, on the first Monday of March next, and annually thereafter, nominate and appoint one person of good repute and skill, an inhabitant of said town, as corder of wood for the year next ensuing, who shall cord all firewood brought to, and sold in, the said town and precincts, and shall, before he acts as such, take the following oath, or affirmation, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or affirm, that I will, when required, in a just and impartial manner, well and truly set up, pack, cord and measure, all firewood which I shall be so required to cord within the said town, or precincts thereof, according to the best of my skill and knowledge, and according to the directions of this act, and that I will not, wittingly or willingly, ask, charge, exact, demand or receive, any other or larger fee or reward for doing my duty in said office of wood-corder, than may be ascertained and directed by the said commissioners;" which oath, or affirmation, may be administered by any justice of the peace of said county; and the said wood-corder may be removed and displaced at the discretion of the said commissioners.

Firewood to
be corded,
&c.

IX. And be it enacted, That from and after the said first Monday of March next, all firewood brought to, and offered for sale in, the said town, or the precincts thereof, whether by land or water, shall be set up, packed, corded and measured, by the said wood-corder for the time being, and that each cord of wood shall be eight feet in length, four feet in breadth, four feet in height, and well stowed and packed; and that the said wood-corder, for his trouble in cording, packing and measuring the same, agreeably to the directions of this act, shall have and receive a sum, in the discretion of the said commissioners, not exceeding eight-pence current money for each and every cord of wood by him set up, corded, packed and measured, to be paid by the person purchasing the same.

Penalty for
neglect, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That if any inhabitant within the said town, or the precincts thereof, shall purchase any firewood brought to the said town, or the precincts thereof, by land or water, and shall neglect or refuse to have the same corded and measured by the said wood-corder for the time being, such inhabitant shall forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings current money for every cord of wood he shall neglect or refuse to have corded as aforesaid, the said forfeit to be recovered in the manner herein before directed, and applied as aforesaid.

Duration.

XI. This act to continue and be in force for and during the term of seven years, and until the end of the next session of assembly which shall happen thereafter.