

C H A P. place whatsoever but at or in the said market-house, such person shall forfeit and
XIV. pay the sum of thirty shillings current money for every such offence.

On servants
buying, &c.

XII. **And be it enacted,** That if any servant or slave shall, by the order or consent of his or her master or mistress, buy any article of victuals or provisions of any person bringing, or having brought, to the said town, or within two miles thereof, any kind of victuals or provisions whatsoever for sale, (except the articles provided for as aforesaid,) either upon the stated market-days aforesaid, or on any other days, during the time of the market-hours herein before appointed, at any other place whatsoever but at or in the said market-house, the master or mistress of every such servant or slave, so ordering or consenting, shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifteen shillings current money for every offence.

On persons
selling out of
market, &c.

XIII. **And be it enacted,** That if any person whatsoever, after the said first Monday of April, shall presume to sell, or cause to be sold, any article of victuals or provisions whatsoever, which such person may be bringing or sending, or have brought or sent, to the said town, or within two miles thereof, for sale, (except the articles herein before excepted) either upon the stated market-days aforesaid, or on any other days, during the time of the market-hours herein before established, at any other place whatsoever but at or in the said market-house, every such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifteen shillings current money for every offence.

For slaughtering
near the
market-
house, &c.

XIV. **And be it enacted,** That if any person shall presume to slaughter or butcher any kind of cattle, sheep or hogs, in or near the said market-house, or suffer the same to be done, every person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifteen shillings current money for every offence.

And for putting
horses,
&c. therein.

XV. **And be it enacted,** That if any person, after the time herein before limited, shall put, or cause to be put, any horse, mare or gelding, into or under the said market-house on any pretence whatsoever, every such person shall forfeit and pay the sum of five shillings current money for every offence.

A clerk to be
appointed annually,
&c.

XVI. **And be it enacted,** That the commissioners of the said town, to be appointed by virtue of this act, shall, on the said first Monday of April, in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-one, and on the same day and month in every year thereafter, nominate and appoint a person of good repute and skill, to be the clerk of the said market; and if the person so appointed shall die, resign, or refuse to act, or be rendered incapable of acting by reason of misbehaviour or removal from office, the said commissioners shall assemble together, as soon thereafter as conveniently may be, and nominate and appoint another qualified person to be the clerk of the said market for the remainder of the year.

Who shall
take an oath,
&c.

XVII. **And be it enacted,** That every person, to be appointed clerk of the said market as aforesaid, before he shall proceed to act as such, shall take an oath, or affirmation, before the said commissioners, that he will diligently and faithfully, according to the best of his skill and judgment, execute and perform the several duties of clerk of the said market, without favour, affection or partiality; and that he will not, directly or indirectly, demand or receive any fee or reward for performing such duties, but what is or shall be allowed by law; and the said oath or affirmation shall be administered by the said commissioners, and the taking thereof be entered among their proceedings.

His powers.

XVIII. **And be it enacted,** That the clerk of the said market shall have sufficient power and authority, at all times thereafter, to take care and charge of the said market-house, and of the market thereof, and to examine and inspect the victuals and provisions brought thereto for sale; to examine and try the weight of any butter brought to the said market, previously made up in prints or parcels, and if the same shall not be found of the weight pretended by the person offering the same for sale, to seize and appropriate the same, and if any shall be found unsound or unwholesome, to seize and destroy the same; and also to try and adjust