

An Ordinance relating to the Apize
of Bread, and for ascertaining the Standard of Weights
and Measures in the Island of Cape Breton and Its
Dependencies.

Be it Ordained and Ordered by the
Lieutenant Governor and Council. That all Weights
and Measures used in Cape Breton and Its Dependencies
shall be according to the Standard of the Exchequer
of England, and that the Clerk or Clerks of the
Market for each Town shall procure a Set of
Weights and Measures according to such Standard
which Weights shall remain with them as a pay
Weights and shall be marked with the Letters
G.III.R. That every Inhabitant of each Town
respectively making use of Weights and Measures
in the Sale of any Commodity shall in One
Week after public Notice given by such Clerk
respectively bring or cause to be brought their

Weights

Weights and Measures to be Assay'd for each of which
Assay he shall have Three pence for his trouble and
the said Clerk shall cause such Weights and Measures
to be brand'd and Stamp'd with the initial Letters
of the ^{Town} ~~Assay~~ where such Assay shall be made - and
whosoever shall thence forward Sell or Vend any
Commodity by Weights or Measures not so brand'd or
mark'd, shall forfeit for every such Offence Twenty
Shillings on Conviction before any of His Majesty's
Justices of the Peace to be levied by Warrant of Distress
and Sale And ~~the~~ the said Clerks shall and
are hereby empower'd to inspect all Weights and
Measures and once in ~~Three~~ ^{Three} Months or oftner
visit every Inhabitant selling Publicly by Weights
and Measures and shall have full Power and
Authority to Seize all such not Stamp'd or brand'd

as aforesaid and may Apay and make and
 Dispose of the same for their use as a Satisfaction for
 their trouble therein, and if any Person shall be
 Convicted of Selling by Weights and Measures less
 than the Standard hereby established he shall
 forfeit the Sum of Ten Pounds to be recovered by Bill
 Plaint, or Information in any Court of Record.

That every Baker shall and is hereby required to
 mark his Bread with the first Letter of his Christian
 and Sir Name, and upon failure thereof the same
 shall be Seized and forfeited to the use of the Poor
 of the Town where such Offence is committed. —

Provided that Persons thinking themselves aggrieved
 by such Seizure may within twelve Hours after
 such Seizure made apply for redress to any one
 of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace who is
 empowered to hear and Determine the same

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That if any Person making use of

Weights and Measures or selling Bread shall refuse
admittance to any of the said Clerks in the Discharge
of their Duty, he shall for every Offence forfeit the Sum
of Twenty Shillings to be recovered before any one
Justice of the Peace - 33. Geo. 2. Ch. 6. Sec. 1. - It is
Ordained - That no Provision or Goods of any kind
shall be Sold in Caput Porton or Its Dependencies by
Stall Yards, except the Article of Hay, under the
Penalty of Twenty Shillings to be recovered against the
Seller, by any Justice of the Peace - Sect: 11. The Clerks
of the Market are hereby empowered to inspect all
Beams and Scales and also Stall Yards used for Weighing
Hay, and also Weights and Measures once in Three
Months at least, not only those used by the
Inhabitants selling Publicly, but also those used
on board any Ships or Vessels Laying at Wharves or
at Anchor in the Harbor, and the same to a pay

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and dispose of as before directed, the Masters of Ships
or Vessels refusing admittance of the said Clerks shall
be liable to the same Penalties as any Inhabitant
in the like case.

6. Geo. 3. ch. 5. — The Justices of the Peace in the several
Towns in the Province shall Visit the Bake-Houses
and the Houses of all and every Person selling Bread
at least one Day in every Week, and shall make a
report of their Proceedings, in Virtue of this or any
former Act or Ordinance, once a Month to some
of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace within their
District, who shall Certify the same at the next
General Sessions of the Peace, and if it shall appear
that the said Clerks have neglected their Duty herein
the said Justices shall and may Fine the said
Clerks in a Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings.
That every Baker or Seller of Bread
shall

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shall make his Bread commonly called white
Bread of the Flour of Wheat only, and if he shall
make, use of, or mix with the said Bread the Flour
or Meal of any other kind of Grain or any other
Ingredient whatever or shall make, use of or mix
in the said Bread any decayed or damaged Flour
and be duly convicted thereof, he shall pay a
Fine not exceeding ten Pounds and be further
corporally Punished as in Cases of Fraud at the
Discretion of the Court before which he shall be
convicted — Provided nothing in this Ordinance
shall extend to hinder any Baker or other
Person from making Brown Bread, mixed with
Rye or Indian Meal that is not damaged and
sell the same as such.

That for the future all Fines &
forfeitures incurred on the foregoing Ordinances shall
be applied one half to the Clerks of the Court

or Informer and the other half to the Poor of the
Town where the Offence shall have been
committed.

Approved Ordained and Ordered
accordingly in Council this 3^d

Day of February 1787. in the 27th

Year of His Majesty's Reign.

J. W. S. G. A. M.

Passed in Council
this 3^d July 1787.

(Signed) Messrs. Haire
Geo. Rodgers.
Bartholomew.
Geo. Moore.