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An Act to amend and to continue as amended the Laws regulating the Inspection of Flour and Meal. 24th July, 1850.

Whereas it is expedient to amend the Acts relative to the Inspection of Flour and Meal and of Oatmeal, and further to continue the same as amended: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That so much of the twelfth section of the Act passed in the session held in the fourth and fifth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to regulate the Inspection of Flour and Meal*, as is in the words following: "And in all cases where the quality of the Flour or Meal inspected may appear to be inferior to the brand or other mark of the manufacturer, and not to be properly designated by the brand or mark, it shall be the duty of the Inspector or Assistant Inspector, and he is hereby authorized and required, to erase and correct the same;" and so much of the said section as is in the words following: "Provided always, That no Flour or Meal which shall have been so branded, marked or inspected in one month or year, and re-inspected and examined in another, shall bear any other brand or mark of the year and month than that originally affixed to it," shall be and is hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That the fourteenth section of the said Act shall be construed and have effect as if the words "branded or marked otherwise than is required by this Act" were inserted at the end of the said section, instead of the words "not branded or inspected, and marked otherwise than is required by this Act."

III. And be it enacted, That the twenty-first section of the said Act, and the fifth and sixth sections of the Act passed in the eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to continue and amend the Act for the Inspection of Flour and Meal, and to provide for the Inspection of Oatmeal*, shall be, and are hereby repealed; and instead thereof—Be it enacted, That in branding or marking the different qualities or descriptions of Flour, the same shall be designated as follows, that is to say: That of a very superior quality, by the words Extra Superfine; that of the second quality, by the word Superfine; that of the third quality, by the words Superfine No. 2; that of the fourth quality, by the word Fine; that of the fifth quality, by the words Fine Middlings; that of the sixth quality, by the word Middlings; that of the seventh quality, by the word Pollards; and the quality called *Farine Entière*, by the letters E. N. T., by which latter description of Flour shall be understood the whole produce of the wheat when ground, excepting the coarse bran and pollards; and all Flour so branded or marked, shall be equal in quality to Flour inspected at the City of New York, in the United States of America, and bearing the like brand or mark of quality; and it shall be the duty of

each Inspector of Flour and Meal in this Province to procure proper and certified samples of the several qualities of Flour, certified, as being the correct standard by the Head Inspector of Flour in New York, and to guide himself by such samples; and in the event of any change in the number of grades or qualities of Flour being adopted in New York during the continuance of this Act, it shall be the duty of the several Inspectors in this Province to conform to such change; and in branding or marking the different qualities of Rye Flour, Indian Meal and Oatmeal, the words Rye Flour, Indian Meal, or Oatmeal, shall be plainly branded or marked on each and every barrel or half barrel, to designate the grain from which the same is made, and the qualities shall be designated as follows, that is to say: That of very superior quality, by the word "First," that of the next inferior quality, by the word "Second," that of the next inferior quality, by the word "Third," and that of the lowest quality, by the word "Unbrandable;" and when the grain from which Flour and Meal of any description is manufactured, had been previously kiln dried, the same shall be branded and marked by the Packer on each and every barrel or half barrel, either at length or by the word and letter "Kiln D."

IV. And be it enacted, That the twenty-second and twenty-third sections of the Act first above cited shall be, and are hereby repealed.

V. And be it enacted, That every half barrel of Flour shall contain ninety-eight pounds net, and every barrel of Flour shall contain one hundred and ninety-six pounds net; every half barrel Rye Flour shall contain ninety-eight pounds net, and every barrel of Rye Flour shall contain one hundred and ninety-six pounds net; every half barrel Indian Meal shall contain eighty-four pounds or ninety-eight pounds net, and every barrel of Indian Meal shall contain one hundred and sixty-eight pounds, or one hundred and ninety-six pounds net; every half barrel of Oatmeal shall contain one hundred and twelve pounds net, and every barrel of Oatmeal shall contain two hundred and twenty-four pounds net; and it shall be the duty of the Packer or Manufacturer, to brand, paint or mark the initials of his Christian name, and also brand, paint or mark his surname at full length, and the name of his mill or place of packing, the quality and weight of the Flour or Meal therein contained, and the tare of the cask, on one end of each and every barrel or half barrel of Flour or Meal packed for sale, in a plain and distinguishable manner, under a penalty of Two Shillings currency, for each and every barrel or half barrel offered for sale or Inspection, with regard to which the requirements of this section have not been complied with.

VI. Provided also, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act shall invalidate, or in any way alter, the true intent and meaning of any existing contract for the purchase or sale of Flour, based on the standard of Inspection heretofore established and in use in Quebec, Montreal and Toronto, and that the quality of all and any Flour so contracted for, purchased or sold, shall, on the requisition of any party interested in such contract, purchase, or sale, be ascertained and tested by the Inspector according to the standard of Inspection in use by him, immediately previous to this Act taking effect, and the said Inspector shall give a Certificate of the quality of the said Flour according to the said standard, but shall nevertheless, if required, brand on the barrels the quality of the Flour according to the standard of Inspection now by this Act established.