

tary of state, attorney general, state superintendent, bank comptroller, state treasurer, and clerk of the supreme court, for the year 1856, said accounts to be certified by the said postmaster, at Madison, by affidavit.

SEC. 2. There is hereby appropriated to the postmaster at Madison, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum sufficient for the payment of the above accounts, to be drawn quarterly, from the treasury, upon the presentation of said accounts properly certified to by their respective offices.

Approved March 31, 1856.

CHAPTER 88.

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An Act to prevent fraud in the buying and selling of grain and other produce.

The people of the State of Wisconsin represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :

SECTION 1. If any produce merchant, warehouseman, miller, or storage, forwarding or commission merchant, or any other person or persons whatever, shall wilfully use false weights or measures, in the buying or selling, of any commodity or thing, and thereby shall cheat or defraud the seller or buyer, of any such commodity or thing, he or they shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not more than one year, or by fine not exceeding five hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Every justice of the peace shall have jurisdiction, concurrent with the circuit court, of all cases mentioned in the preceding section of this act, when the amount of damages occasioned by such cheat or fraud, shall not exceed the value of twenty dollars, in all which cases, the punishment shall be fine, not exceeding one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail, not exceeding three months, saving to every person who shall be convicted before the justice, the right to appeal as in other cases.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication by the state printer.

Approved March 31, 1856.