

may be prosecuted in such Courts as are proper to try the same. And all fines and forfeitures recovered shall be for the use of the town where the offence is committed.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted,* That this act shall be, and continue in force in the town of Boston, from and after the fifteenth day of November next ensuing, and in any other town within the Commonwealth, whenever the same shall be adopted by a majority of the inhabitants in town meeting, legally assembled, and not otherwise.

How long to continue in force.

[Approved by the Governor, October 19, 1814.]

#### CHAP. LXXIV.

An Act to provide for the safe keeping of the entrenching tools of this Commonwealth.

SEC. 1. **BE** *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same,* That the Quarter Master General be, and he is hereby charged with the custody and safe keeping of all the spades, shovels, pick axes, mattocks, crow-bars, barrows, and other entrenching tools and implements, being the property of this Commonwealth, and shall provide, at the public expense, suitable store houses and places of deposit for the same, when not in actual use; and it shall be the duty of said Quarter Master forthwith to cause the same to be designated by suitable permanent brands or marks, in some conspicuous place, upon each tool or implement, whether of wood, iron or other substance, that the same may be at all times known and designated as the property of this Commonwealth.

Shall appoint a place of deposit and cause marks.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any person who shall purchase, retain or have in his custody or possession either or any of the tools or implements aforesaid, the same not having been delivered to him or them by any officer or officers, agent or agents of this Commonwealth, having power and authority so to deliver the

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fine.

same, shall be taken and deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be punished therefor, by fine, not exceeding ten times the just value of such article.

[Approved by the Governor, October 19, 1814.]

## CHAP. LXXV.

An Act to alter and change the names of certain persons therein mentioned.

Names altered.

**BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That, from and after the passing of this act, Joseph Adams, of the late firm of Johnson & Adams, of Boston, in the county of Suffolk, shall be allowed to take the name of Joseph Henry Adams;— That Thode Coats, of Middlefield, in the county of Hampshire, shall be allowed to take the name of Theodore Coats. And the several persons before named, from the time of the passing of this act, shall be called and known by the names, which, by this act, they are respectively allowed to take and assume as aforesaid; and the said names shall forever hereafter be considered as their only proper and legal names, to all intents and purposes.

[Approved by the Governor, October 19, 1814.]

## CHAP. LXXVI.

An Act empowering the Firewards of the town of Boston, to permit the building of Stables, and of Gun-houses, in certain cases.

**BE** it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That the Firewards of the town of Boston be, and they hereby are authorised and em-