



# Hosiery Act 1843

## 1843 CHAPTER 40

### **XX Penalty for obliterating Mark on Machine.**

And be it enacted, That if any Person or Persons shall obliterate, efface, or alter the Owner's Name or Initials, or other distinguishing Mark, on any Frame, Loom, or Machine, or any Bar or Part thereof, or the Moulds thereof, without the Order or Authority of the Owner thereof, he shall, on Conviction thereof before Two Justices of the Peace, forfeit any such Sum not exceeding Two Pounds as such Two Justices shall order and direct, to be applied, in the first place, in paying the Costs of the Proceedings before such Justices, and the Surplus, if any, to the Party injured; and in default of Payment of such Forfeiture immediately on Conviction, or within such Period as the Justices so convicting shall direct, then the said Justices may, either immediately or at any Time after such Conviction, commit any Person so convicted to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to be imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, as to the said Justices shall seem meet, for any Term not exceeding Two Calendar Months, unless the Amount of such Forfeiture be sooner paid.