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An Act for regulating and maintaining a Light-House on Sambro Island.

HERE AS by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province, intitled An Act for erecting a Light-House with at the Entrance of the Harbour of Halifax, made and the passes passed at their Session begun and holden at Halifax, the Second Day of October, 1758, The Sum of One Thousand Second Day of October, 1758, The Sum of One Thousand Second Pounds out of the Monies then in the Treasury of the Province, collected from the Duties on Spirituous Liquors, was appropriated for the erecting a Light-House on the Island commonly called and known by the Name of Sambro Outer-Island, at the Entrance of the Harbour of Halifax: And it was enacted, That untill such Light-House should he erected the Commissioners appointed for carrying the said Act into Execution, should cause a Beacon and Light to be placed on the said Island for the Benefit of Vessels coming into the said Harbour.

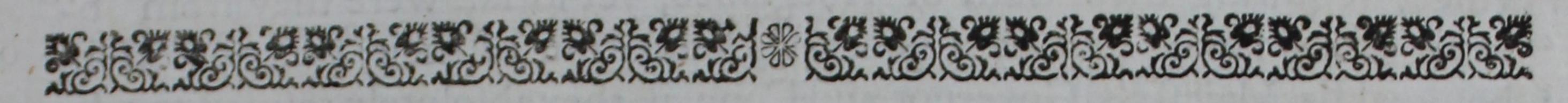
Be it enacted by his Excellency the Governor, Council and Assembly, and by the Authority of the same it is hereby enacted, That from and after the First Day of September next, there shall be paid by the Master of every Merchant Vessel coming into or going out of the Harbour of Halifax, at her going out of the said Harbour, (other than Coasters and fishing Vessels, and such Transport or other Vessels employed in His Majesty's Service as shall, by their Charter Party, be exempted from paying Port Charges) a Duty of Six Pence per Ton Currency, for so many Tons as shall appear to the Satisfaction of the Receiver, or by the Oath of the Master, (which Oath the said Receiver is hereby authorized to administer) to be the real Burthen thereof.

Provided, That all Ships or Vessels wholly belonging to any Person, that is a Freeholder and Inhabitant in the Province, shall only pay Four Pence per Ton: The said Duty to be paid before clearing the said Vessel, to such Person or Persons as shall hereafter be appointed by his Excellency the Governor for that Purpose; who are hereby authorized to demand and receive the same, and upon Resusal of Payment, to sue for and recover the said Duty before Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or in Case the Sum shall not exceed Forty Shillings, before One Justice.

And be it further enacted, That no Vessel shall be deemed a fishing Vessel, within the meaning of this Act, excepting such as shall be wholly employed in that Business, nor shall any Vessel be deemed a Coaster, excepting such as shall be wholly employed within the Province.

And be it further enacted, That every Coasting Vessel shall pay, in Lieu of the said Duty, at the Rate of Twenty Shillings per Annum, and no more, to be received and recovered in manner as aforesaid.

And be it further enacted, That all Monies arising by the aforesaid Duty shall be paid into the Treasury of the Province, and be applied towards the Support of the said Light-House; to be issued for the said Purpose, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, of the Province; and in Case there be more Monies raised than is necessary for the Support of the said Light-House, the Surplusage to be applied to the Uses of the Government.



An Act for the Quieting of Possessions to the Protestant Grantees of the Lands formerly occuppied by the French Inhabitants, and for preventing vexatious Actions relating to the same.

HERE AS this Province of Nova-Scotia or Accadie, and the Property thereof, did always of Right belong to the Crown of England, both by Priority of Discovery and ancient Possession, and that no Grant of Property to any of the Lands or Territories belonging thereto, is of any Validity, or can give the Possessor thereof any legal Right or Title to any Part thereof, unless derived from thence.

And whereas by a Treaty of Peace concluded at Utrecht, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirteen, between her most Sacred Majesty Ann of Giorious Memory, Queen of Great-Britain, &c. And His most Christian Majesty, it was concluded and agreed on, that all Nova-Scotia, or Accadie, with it's ancient Boundaries, and all other Things in those Parts which depend on the said Lands, together with the Dominion, Property, and Possession of the said Lands and Places, and all Right whatsoever by Treaties or any other Way attained, which the most Christian King, the Crown of France, or any other the Subjects thereof, had to the Lands and Places, and to the Inhabitants of the same, are yielded and made over to the Queen of Great-Britain, and to her Crown for ever.

And whereas at the Time of that Cession, many of the French King's Subjects did reside and dwell within this His Majesty's Province of Nova-Scotia, and did not remove from the same, within the Space of Twelve Months, according to the Limitation of that Treaty, whereby they and their Posterity became Subjects of the Crown of Great-Britain in every Respect; notwithstanding which, contrary to their Allegiance, they began from that Time, and continued at all Times to aid, assist, and support and join with His Majesty's Enemies; and altho' His Ma-