

C A P. V.

An ACT in further Amendment of, and in Addition to an Act, made in the thirty second Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, *an Act for confirming Titles to Lands and quieting Possessions.*

32d. Geo. 2d. c. 2.
34d. Geo. 2d. c. 4.
1. Geo. 3d. c. 3.
5. Geo. 3d. c. 8.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the great Extent of this Province, and the Difficulties attending the bringing Deeds and Conveyances from the several distant Counties and Towns within the same, to Halifax, to be registered, made it expedient and necessary for the Registers of Deeds to appoint Deputies in such Counties and Towns, and whereas it will greatly contribute to the Ease and Convenience of the Inhabitants that such Deputations be continued.

Register of the Province to appoint one or more Deputies in the several Counties.

If Deed is lost the copy from the Registry shall be allowed as evidence.

Where Deputy Registers appointed, Deed shall be registered.

An Extract & Certificate of all Deeds registered to be transmitted to the Register's Office at Halifax, within Peninsula of Nova-SCOTIA, in three Months and to the Northward of said Peninsula in six Months.

I. Be it Enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Register of this Province, to appoint one or more Deputies in the several Counties within the same, such Person being approved by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief; and all Registers and Proceedings thereon, relating to the conveying of any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments within the Limits of such Deputations, shall be, and they are hereby declared authentick and valid, and if any original Deed which may hereafter be registered by the Deputy Registers, shall be lost, and Proof thereof in Court being made, that then the Registry or Record of such Deed or Deeds shall be allowed to be good Evidence in any Court of Law or Equity within this Province.

II. And be it also Enacted, That where Deputy Registers shall be appointed, all Deeds or Conveyances shall be registered in the Office of the County or District within which, such Lands do lie.

III. Provided always, and be it also Enacted, That an Extract and Certificate of all Deeds and Conveyances, touching any Lands or Hereditaments, which shall be registered or recorded by such Deputies as aforesaid within the Peninsula of Nova-SCOTIA, shall once in **Three Months** be transmitted to the Register's Office at Halifax, and of all Deeds and Conveyances, touching any Lands or Hereditaments, lying to the Northward of the said Peninsula, within **Six Months** after the Registry of such Deeds and Conveyances, and the Register of Deeds at Halifax, shall note the Time of his receiving the Certificate, and duely enter the same in the Registry at Halifax, which shall be as effectual as if the original Deed had been by him first registered, as well for those
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which have been heretofore registered by the Deputy Registers, or shall hereafter be registered by Virtue of this Act. And if any Deputy Register shall fail to transmit such Extracts to the Register's Office at **Halifax**, as aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay for the Use and Service of the Government of this Province, the Sum of **five Pounds**, to be recovered on Complaint of the Register of the Province, before any Court of Record within the same, and such Deputy so failing, shall moreover be liable to an Action at Law for all Damages sustained by the Party aggrieved.

Deputy Register failing shall forfeit £. 5. and liable to an Action by party aggrieved.

IV. And be it further Enacted, That all Deeds heretofore registered by the Deputy Registers in the several Towns and Counties in this Province, whereof Certificates of the Registry have been duly returned to the Register's Office at **Halifax** and enter'd there, or which shall on or before the first Day of **November** next be returned and enter'd there as aforesaid, shall be deemed good and valid, as tho' the same had been duly at first enter'd in the Registry at **Halifax** aforesaid. **Provided**, That nothing herein shall extend to affect any Attachment heretofore made, or Judgment which may have been recovered on any Lands or Hereditaments, a Certificate of the Registry whereof has not already been returned as aforesaid.

All deeds heretofore registered by the Deputies, and Certificates returned, or which shall be returned before 1st Nov. next, good and valid.

C A P. VI.

An Act in further Amendment of, and in Addition to an Act made in the Third Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to enable the several Townships within this Province to maintain their Poor.*"

3d. Geo. 3d. c. 7.
2d Session.
7. Geo. 3. c. 3.
8. Geo. 3. c. 5.
c. 1.
2d Session.
10. Geo. 3d. c. 2.

WHEREAS the appointing twelve Assessors for assessing the Sums voted for the Support of the Poor, is found inconvenient, at **Halifax**, as well as in the several other Townships in this Province :

Preamble.

I. Be it Enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That the Inhabitants in each and every Town or Township in this Province, shall at their Meeting for raising Money for the Support of the Poor, choose Five Freeholders of the said Town or Township, any three of whom to be a Quorum, (and who being first duly sworn) are hereby empowered to assess the Inhabitants of such Township their Proportions of the Sum voted for the Support of the Poor, as near as may be according to their Abilities, and in case the said Assessors shall neglect or refuse

5 Freeholders to be chosen, any 3 of whom to be a Quorum to make assessment,