

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Sixth Day of June, 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Third, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Ninth day of June, 1772, in the Twelfth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, being the Third Session of the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

12 George III – Chapter 3

An Act declaring what shall be deemed Merchantable Timber for Exportation to Great-Britain.

Whereas the improving and securing the lumber trade from this colony to Great-Britain will be highly beneficial, not only to the mother country, but also to this Province, and whereas certain regulations relating to the exportation of square timber are found to be necessary;

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, that no hewn timber shall be deemed merchantable, or offered for sale for the British market as such, unless the same is sound, properly squared, and not less than ten inches square, and free of bark, and the surveyors of lumber are hereby directed to survey, measure and mark the same, and none other, for the British market, before the same shall be shipped for exportation, for which such surveyor shall receive three pence per ton and travelling charges.

II. And be it further enacted, that where any contract or bargain shall be made for any quantity of timber for the British market, the same shall be understood to be according to the directions of this Act, and no merchant or trader in lumber shall be obliged to take any other, unless by particular agreement first made for the same.