

C A P. III.

AN ACT to prevent the destroying or defacing Mile-Posts, Mile-Boards or Mile-Stones, erected or to be erected within this Province:

HEREAS the erecting of Mile-Posts, and Boards or Mile-Stones, tends greatly to the Convenience of the Public, and is often a useful Direction to the Traveller. And whereas mischievous and ill disposed Persons have in many Instances wantonly and wickedly defaced and destroyed such Posts and Boards.

I. Be it therefore Enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly, That from and after the Publication hereof, whoever shall be found guilty of defacing, displacing, injuring or destroying any Post, Board or Stone erected or to be erected for the Purpose of ascertaining Distances shall on Conviction thereof before any two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, forfeit and pay the Sum of two Pounds, the one half whereof to be given to the Prosecutor, and the other half paid in to the Treasurer of the County wherein such Offence shall be committed for the Purpose of repairing and erecting Mile-Boards within such County, and in Case the Party so convicted shall be unable to pay the fine imposed, it shall and may be lawful for such Justices to direct and order the Offender a corporal Punishment, not less than Twenty Lashes, nor exceeding Thirty Lashes, to be inflicted at the most public Place within the said District in the usual and accustomed Manner.

Persons found guilty of defacing, displacing &c. any Mile Post Board or Stone shall on conviction before two Justices pay the sum of two pounds, one to the prosecutor the other to the Treasurer of the County, if unable to pay the fine, liable to a corporal punishment not exceeding thirty lashes

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AN ACT to authorise certain Commissioners to dispose of the Building wherein the *General Assembly* now sits; and also to adjust the Debt due from the Province to the Public School at *Halifax*.

HEREAS the Province stands indebted in a considerable Sum of Money for Principal and Interest to the Trustees of the Public School at Halifax or School Lottery Fund, as by the Public Accounts, settled and passed this Session of Assembly will appear. And whereas the Building with the Ground thereunto belonging, now used and occupied as an Assembly House will no longer be useful or necessary to the Province, but would make a convenient Situation for the said public School in Halifax, and at the same time enable the Province to pay off a large part of the debt due as aforesaid.

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Commissioners when requested by Trustees of School shall execute to them a Deed of the House and ground where the *General Assembly* sit, which shall be effectual to convey to the said Trustees the Interest of the Province therein in trust for the use of the Public School at *Halifax*.

I. *Be it therefore Enacted*, That the Commissioners either now appointed; or who hereafter shall be appointed under and by Virtue of an Act passed in the Twenty eighth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, *an Act for enabling Commissioners to make sale of the public Buildings therein named for public Uses, and to erect on the lower Parade in the Town of Halifax a commodious Building*; and also to provide a common Goal, shall and may as soon as requested after the End of the present Session by the Trustees of said public School make and execute to such Trustees a good and sufficient Deed of the House and Lot of Ground thereunto belonging, where the *General Assembly* now sit, which Deed so made and given to said Trustees, shall be valid and effectual in Law to pass and convey to the said Trustees the entire Estate and Interest of the Province therein, to be held by said Trustees and their Successors in trust for the Use of a public School in *Halifax* for ever, agreeable to an Act passed in the Twentieth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, intituled, *an Act for establishing a public School in the Town of Halifax*, and to and for no other Use, Intent or Purpose whatsoever; any Thing in said Deed or this Act contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

When Trustees accept the Deed of the Premises the Province shall be discharged from the Debt due to School Lottery except the Sum of £.400. only, which together with Interest thereon from the date of the Deed shall be received at the Treasury by Warrant from the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being.

II. *And be it further Enacted*, That so soon as the said Trustees shall accept of said Deed and take Possession of said Premises, the Province shall be and is hereby discharged of, and from the whole Debt (except as is herein after excepted) which appears by the public Accounts to be due for Principal and Interest to the said School Lottery Fund, except the Sum of Four Hundred Pounds only, which Sum of Four Hundred Pounds, together with such interest as shall accrue thereon from and after the Date of said Deed, it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees to receive from Time to Time at the Treasury the same, to be paid on the Warrant or Warrants of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the Time being, which said last mentioned Sum and the Interest thereon, together with said Premises when received by said Trustees, shall be, and the same is hereby declared to be in full Discharge and Payment of the Sum of Money borrowed by the Province from the said School-Lottery Fund together with the Interest thereof.