CAP. V.

An Act to revive and continue an Act passed in the thirty-second year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, an Act for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Province; and, also, the Act, in amendment thereof, passed in the forty-first year of Hispresent Majesty's reign, entitled, an Act, to alter, amend, and continue, an Act, made and passed in the thirty-second year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, an Act for the further increase of the Revenue. by raising a Duty of Excise, on all Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, imported into this Province.

Preamble.

7 IIIIREAS the above recited Acts have expired, and it is expedient that the same should be revived and continued:

Ast continued to 31st Dec. 1806.

I Be it enacled, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said Acts, and every matter, claufe and thing, therein contained, shall be revived, and continued, and the same are hereby revived, and continued in force until the thirty-first day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and six, and no longer.

CAP. VI.

An Act to encourage the fitting out of Vessels in this Province, for carrying on the Bank and Cod Fisheries.

Size of Veffels entitled to Fishing Bounty.

E it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Affembly, That all vessels, owned by His Ma-Jiesty's Subjects resident in this Province, duly registered and navigated according to law, and being of the burthen of twenty-five tons, being already registered; and all vessels, of the burthen of forty tons, hereafter to be registered, or upwards, which shall be fitted out in any port, or place, of this Province, to be employed in the Cod or Bank Fisheries, on the coast and shores of Nova-Scotia, the Island of Cape-Breton, the Gulph of Saint Lawrence, Banks of Newfoundland, Streights of Belleisle, or Coast of Labrador, and which shall actually be engaged, and employed, in the Fisheries, in, or upon, any of the said coasts, or places, for the space of four complete calendar months, between the twentieth day of March, and first day of December, in any year, or years, during the continuance of this Act, shall be paid, and allowed, from the public Treasury of the Province, a bounty of Fifteen Shillings per Ton, for each and every Ton which fuch Veffels shall respectively admeasure, according to Register. vided always, That the bounty to be paid to any one Vessel shall not exceed the sum of Seventy Five pounds; and, also, that it shall not be lawful for the Treasurer to pay more than the fum of Three Thousand Pounds, in Bounties, by virtue of this Act.

159. per Ton, Bounty.

Limitation of Bounties.

Owners of Fishing Vessels to give Bonds.

And be it further enacted, That all and every person intending to fit out a Vessel or Vessels, upon a fishing voyage, with an intention to obtain the bounty granted by this Act, shall previous to the sailing of the vessel on said voyage, give bonds, at the Custom House, to double the amount of the Bounty to which fuch Vessel would be entitled, with a Condition, there under written, for employing fuch vessels respectively in the said Fishery during four Months, within

Masters of Vesfels to make oath

Bounty, and obtain a certificate

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within the periods herein before limited; and, also, for importing, and landing, in some one of the ports of this Province the fish so caught by such vessel or vessels.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Master of all such vessels respectively, which shall be sitted out as aforesaid, and whose vessels shall have been actually employed in the Cod or Bank Fisheries during four months, within the period before mentioned, and who shall have imported, and landed, in this Province, the fish caught by their respective vessels, shall, within three months after the determination of the voyage or voyages, appear, and make oath, before two of the principal Justices of the Peace, of the county or district at the port where such veffel may arrive, that fuch veffel, for which the bounty is claimed, was fitted out, and has been actually employed in the faid Fisheries, according to the directions, and the true intent and meaning of this Act : and fuch oaths shall be set down in writing, and be subscribed by fuch master, and be certified by the said Justices, to have been duly sworn to before them, and the faid oaths, fo fet down, subscribed, and certified, shall be delivered to the faid master.

Certificate to be Lodged in Secretary's Office, &c.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the person who shall have taken the said oath, and obtained the said certificate, shall lodge the same in the office of the Secretary of the Province, and, also, the original clearance, or fifthing pass, taken by the vessel on the commencement of her voyage, to be certified under the hands, and feals, of the Collector, Comptroller (where any Comptroller is appointed) and Naval Officer, of the port from whence fuch veffel clears out upon her fishing voyage, specifying the quantity of provisions, stores and fishing craft, which such veffel is provided with, and a certificate of the entry of fuch veffel at the expiration of her voyage, with the quantity of fish caught, under the hands, and feals, of the Collector, Comptroller, (where any Comptroller is appointed) and Naval Officer, of the port where fuch may enter; and, thereupon, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, by his warrant on the Treasurer of the Province, to order him to pay to the owners, charterers, master and crew, or to their lawful assigns, the bounty which he or they shall appear to be entitled to receive by virtue of this Act.

Governor to draw on the Treafury for payment of Bounties.

V. And be it further enacled, That the claimants of Bounties under this Act, shall be entitled to payment of fuch bounties in regular order of priority, and that the Secretary of the Province thall keep publickly posted up in his office, a list of all claims for Bounties under this Act, in which shall be inserted the name of the Claimants, and of the vessels, with the quantity of fish caught by them respectively, for which the bounties are claimed, the amount of the bounties, and the date of the claims; and the Secretary of the Province shall, also, number the warrants for bounties in regular order as the claims are given in, and dated.

Bounties to be drawn from the Treasury by pii-

VI. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for all persons who shall be engaged in carrying on the Fisheries from any port, or place, in the Province, to cure, and dry, their fish on any ungranted, or unoccupied, beach, or beaches, or other convenient places, on any of the shores of this Province, and to erect, thereon, slakes, huts or sheds, or other necessary accommodations, for that purpose, without being subject to any action, or information, for intruding, or trespassing, on such beaches, or unoccupied places; and that it shall not be lawful for perions claiming title by grant, deed, licence of occupation, or otherwise, to any tuch beaches, or other fit places for curing and drying fifh, and not actually occupying, or making use of, the same, to prevent, or hinder, others from so doing, or to remove, pull down or destroy, any flakes, or other buildings, erected by fuch persons for the purpose of drying and curing of fish, during the time the fame shall be actually used, and employed, for the purposes aforefairl. Provided, That nothing herein contained shall give, or be construed to give, any person or persons, possession of such lands, and beaches, against the owner of the .

Liberty given to cure and dry fifh on ungranted or unoccupied lands

VII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained, shall entitle Size of reflets R b

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any person, or persons, to receive any bounty for any vessel under the burthen of forty tons, unless such vessel shall have been registered previous to the making of this Act.

Act continued for one year.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall continue, and be in force, for one year, and no longer.

CAP. VII.

An Act to revive, and continue, an Act, made and passed in the twenty-ninth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for the better support of the Poor in the respective Counties of this Province, by laying an Impost Duty on articles imported into this Province from the United States of America.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the above recited A& kath expired, and it is expedient that the same should be revived and continued:

Act continued to 31st Dec. 1806. I. Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor Council, and Affently, That the faid Act, and every matter, clause as d thing, therein contained, shall be revived, and continued: and the same is hereby revived, and continued in sorce until the thirty-first day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and six, and no longer.

CAP. VIII.

An Act to revive and continue an Act, made and passed in the thirtyfourth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act to provide for the Grammar School in Halisax, and for other public purposes therein contained.

Preamble.

HEREAS the above recited Act hath expired, and it is expedient that the same stand be revived and continued:

Act continued to 31st Dec. 1806.

I. Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said Act, and every matter, and thing, therein contained, shall be revived, and continued: and the same is hereby revived, and continued in force until the thirty-first day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and six, and no longer.

CAP. 1X.

An Act for granting Two Thousand Pounds for the encouragement of the Agriculture of this Province.

Preamble.

HEREAS the Riches and Prosperity of this Province very much depend upon the improvement and enerease of its Agriculture:

Bounty, perAcre for clearing and fowing lands.

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Affembly, That any person or persons, being the owner or owners, tenant or tenants, occupier or occupiers, of any uncultivated Lands, who shall, between the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight kundred