

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on the Eighteenth day of November, 1806, in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the Firth Session of the Ninth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.*

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**An Act to encourage the raising Bread Corn on new Lands.**

Whereas the province is much drained of current specie by the introduction of bread corn: in order to encourage the exertions of the settlers for raising larger quantities of that necessary article,

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, that there shall be allowed and paid for every bushel of wheat and rye, of the crop of the year one thousand eight hundred and eight, which shall be raised on any new lands, whereon the wood shall have been cut down, burned, and cleared off, after the first day of November last, the following bounties; that is to say; for every bushel of wheat, ten pence, and every bushel of rye, seven pence half penny.

II. And be it further enacted, that to entitle any owner or occupier of land to the foregoing bounties, the following oath shall be taken by him or some other person acquainted with the fact:

“I, A. B., do swear, that \_\_\_\_\_ bushels of \_\_\_\_\_, were really and truly raised on the lands occupied by \_\_\_\_\_, and the said \_\_\_\_\_ are wholly of the crop of the year one thousand eight hundred and eight; and that the wood from the lands on which the said \_\_\_\_\_ were raised, was actually cut down, cleared and burnt off, since the first day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and six.”

III. And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the justices in the several counties and districts in this province, to hold a session, either special or by adjournment, in the respective counties or districts, between the first and fifteenth days of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and nine, giving three weeks public notice of such meeting, for the purpose of determining all claims for bounties, granted by this act; and that on the oath herein before recited, and such further reasonable proof as such justices may require, they shall determine on such claims, and shall certify in one general schedule all such claims as they allow for each county or district.

IV. And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, to draw by warrant, on the treasury, for the amount of each of such schedules, in favour of such person or persons as shall be appointed by the justices of each county or district, for receiving and distributing the same.

V. And be it further enacted, that such person or persons, shall pay, without delay, the amount of all claims allowed, when demanded, retaining one shilling in the pound commission, for receiving and paying such amount.

VI. And be it further enacted, that no claim for any bounty under this act, shall be admitted, which has not been preferred and allowed at the session to be held as herein before directed.