CAP. XXVI.

An ACT to revive, continue and amend, an Act to provide for the support of a Light-House at the South end of Cossin's Island, on the Eastern side of the entrance of Liverpool Harbour.

Preamble.

THEREAS, the said Act hath expired, and it is expedient to revive the same :-

52d Geo. 1II.

I. BE it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Affembly. That, an Act, passed in the sifty-second year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to provide for the support of a Light-House on the South end of Cossin's Island, on the Eastern side of the entrance of Liverpool Harbour, and every matter, clause and thing, therein mentioned, be revived, and the same is hereby revived.

Vessels subjected to Light-Duty but once.

II. And be it surther enacted, That no ship or vessel coming from a Foreign port, or engaged on a coasting voyage, shall be liable to pay Light Duty more than once upon any such voyage; but if the said Duty shall be demanded the second time, the master of the said vessel shall produce to the person demanding the same, the Certificate of his having previously paid the Light Duty upon the same voyage.

Cranberry 1sland Light; House. And whereas, a Light-House has been recently erected on Cranberry Island near Canso Harbour, which will be highly beneficial to vessels sailing to and from the Eastern parts of the Province:

Light Duty.

III. BE it therefore enacted, That all vessels entering into any port or ports to the East-ward, where His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor may think proper to appoint Collectors of Light-Money, shall be subject and liable to the same rates and duties as are paid by vessels entering into the Harbour of Halifax.

Continuation.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the said Act hereby revived, together with this Act, shall be, and the same is hereby, continued in force for one year from the publication hereof, and from thence to the end of the next Schon of the General Assembly.

CAP. XXVII.

An ACT to continue and amend an Act, to encourage persons concerned in the Lumber Trade, and authorising Courts of Session to make regulations for preventing obstructions in bringing the same, with other articles, down the several Rivers in this Province.

58th Geo. III. and this Act, conficing to 18th March, 1520.

E it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That the said Act, passed in the sifty eighth year of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled. An Act to encourage performs concerned in the Lumber Trade, and authorising Courts of Session to make regulations for preventing obstructions in bringing the same, with other articles, down the several Rivers of this Province, and every clause, matter and thing, therein contained, and the several clauses hereinaster mentioned, in addition thereto, be, and the same is hereby continued in

force, until the twentieth day of March, which will be in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty, and from thence to the end of the next Seffion of the General Affembly, and no longer.

And Whereas, the River St. Mary's, in the County of Sydney, is, at times, during the Spring and Autumn, so large and rapid at the head of the tide on the said River, that it is impracticable to stop timber, sawmill logs, cordwood, or other lumber, that may be floated down the said River, without having a boom across the same, in what is called Still Water, to stop the said articles, until the said River shall be at a proper heighth to carry them over the falls, and another boom at Sherbrooke Village, near the head of the tide, to prevent the said articles from going adrift until taken away or otherwise secured; for remedy whereof:

II. Re it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Justices of the Peace of Booms may be the faid County of Sydney, in their General Sessions, by regulations by them to be made, placed across to authorise the placing and upholding of two booms on the faid river, in such places as shall ver. be deemed most proper with the consent of the owner of the foil bordering on either side of the faid river, and for such length of time as to them may feem necessary for the purposes aforesaid, and also to make such rules and regulations as may prevent the said booms from obstructing the navigation of the laid river.

And Whereas, a small number of the inhabitants ansaid river, in order to provide means for preparing and placing booms across the said river, have entered into a subscription, and have appointed a certain number of shares in the said booms when placed as aforesuid, and that each person be assessed for the expense thereof, in proportion to the number of shares for which he may have subscribed, or shall hold in the said booms; and Whereas, the said booms will be of general utility to all persons who are or may be concerned in taking timber, and other articles, down the said river, who of sight ought to contribute towards the expense of placing and keeping of the said booms, in proportion to the benefit and advantage they may severally and respectively derive therefrom :-

III. Be it therefore further enacted, That the said Justices, in their General Sessions, shall Expense of may fix the rates of hoomage, how and may fix the rates of boomage that shall be paid to the proprietors of the said booms, on desrayed. lumber of every description that may be brought Jown the said river, and secured by the faid boom or booms, and the manner in which the same shall be collected and applied to the use of the said booms, and the surplus, if any, to the owners thereof; and make such regulations respecting the taking of such humber from the upper to the lower boom, as may be necessary; and also appoint fit and proper persons to take charge of the said booms, and to collect all such sum or sums of money as shall or may become due under and by virtue of the regulations to be made as aforesaid.

IV. And be it further enacted, That, after the publication of this Act, any Special Sessions to be lawfully holden within the faid County of Sydney, shall have full power and authority to make any and all of the rules, regulations and appointments, herein before mentioned, which shall be and remain in full force and effect until the first General Sessions of the Peace shall thereafter be holden in and for the faid County, and no longer.

Rules, Regulatious, &c.

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Copies of Rules

V. And be it further enacted, That three fair copies of the Regulations to be made under the provisions of this Act, shall, immediately after the same shall have been agreed to, be posted up at the three most public places on said river.

CAP. XXVIII.

An ACT to alter and amend an Act, made and passed in the third and fourth years of His present Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act to enable the Inhabitants of the several Townships within the Province to maintain their Poor.

· Preamble.

HEREAS, much inconvenience has arisen to the Poor, by persons appealing from the rates assessed against them under and by virtue of the said Act, and withholding the payment thereof until the same shall be examined and determined by the next General Sessions of the Peace for the Counties aforesaid; for remedy whereof:

Persons refusing or neglecting to pay Poor Rates. I. BE it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Affembly, That if any person, affessed under and by virtue of the said Act, shall refuse or neglect to pay his said rate or affessent, it shall and may be lawful for the Collector, appointed to receive the said rates or affessments, notwithstanding such appeal as aforesaid, to levy for the same by warrant of distress, by any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County where such person shall reside.

Persons appealing against Poor Rates.

II. And be it further enacted, That if the person or persons, so appealing to the next General Sessions of the Peace for the said County, shall make it appear to the Justices thereof, that he or they have been assessed or taxed more than his or their just share or proportion of the said rate, that then, and in such case, it shall and may be lawful for the said suffices to cause such appellant or appellants to be relieved and re-imbursed the excess of such rate by order to the Overseers of the Poor for the Township to which suppellant or appellants shall belong, and who are hereby directed to refund the same.

CAP. XXIX.

An ACT in addition to, and amendment of, an Act, passed in the fifty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, An Act for the Summary Trial of Actions.

Preamble.

HEREAS, by the first clause of the said Act, the Supreme Court and Inferior Courts of Common Pleas, are authorised to proceed in a Summary Way by Witnesses, in all causes brought before them, the Sum total whereof shall not exceed twenty pounds. And whereas, much inconvenience has arisen from the practice of prosecuting such suits in other Counties and Districts than those wherein the parties reside; for remedy whereof:—