

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday, the Fifteenth day of February, 1825, in the Sixth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Fifth Session of the Twelfth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.*

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**An Act relating to Special Juries.**

Whereas, the fees and penalties to which special jurors are now entitled and subject, are insufficient to procure their attendance:

I. Be it therefore enacted by the President, Council and Assembly, that, in future, there shall be paid and allowed to every special juror, sworn for the trial of any cause depending in the supreme court at Halifax, the fee of five shillings, instead of the fees now by law allowed to such juror.

II. And be it further enacted, that every special juror, who, being duly summoned for the trial of any cause, shall neglect to appear in court at the time appointed therefor, shall forfeit and pay a fine of twenty shillings, instead of the penalty now exacted for non-attendance.

III. And be it further enacted, that in all causes where a special jury shall have been ordered, it shall be in the discretion of the court to allow or refuse to the party applying therefor, the costs of such jury, according as the court shall consider the subject in dispute did or did not require a special jury for the trial thereof, or might properly, and without inconvenience, have been tried by the common jury.