

*At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday, First day of February, 1827, in the Eighth 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 First Session of the Thirteenth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.*

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**An Act in addition to the Act, passed in the Second year of his late Majesty's Reign, entitled, "An Act for regulating the Exportation of Fish, and the assize of Barrels, Staves, Hoops, Boards, and all other kinds of Lumber;" and for appointing Officers to survey the same.**

Whereas it is expedient further to regulate the making of barrels for pickled fish, and to enforce the inspection thereof:

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, every barrel and half barrel in which pickled fish for exportation are packed, shall be made and constructed of staves of the thickness of not less than half an inch in every part; and shall have the bung stave made of hard wood, and every barrel and half barrel containing pickled fish, as also the fish contained therein, which, after the said day shall be offered for sale or exportation, or be shipped for exportation, not being made with staves of the thickness hereby prescribed, and with the bung stave of hard wood, shall be seized and taken as forfeit by any inspector of pickled fish, and be sold, and the proceeds be applied as is by the said act directed.

II. And be it further enacted, that no vessel, laden with any pickled fish, the produce of the fisheries of this province, and destined to any port or place whatsoever, out of the same, shall, after the said first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight, be cleared out for such destination, by the officers of the customs at her port of departure, or be permitted to depart therefrom, until the certificate of some sworn surveyor or inspector of pickled fish, for the place of her lading, shall be produced and exhibited to such officers of the customs, setting forth and certifying that all the pickled fish laden on board such vessel, have been according to law surveyed and inspected, and the fish barrels branded according to the directions of the statutes in that behalf provided, and that the said fish are of the quality, and packed in the manner by law prescribed, and that the barrels containing the same, are in all respects of the size and construction required by this and the other acts in force relating thereto.