

date of the certificate, such person so producing such certificate shall be and is hereby exempted from the ordinary duties of training or mustering, unless upon an alarm, invasion, insurrection or rebellion,

Act to be in force
till the 1st March,
1792.

XVIII. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall be and remain in force till the first day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Two, and no longer.

CAP. II.

An ACT to AUTHORIZE the respective PROPRIETORS of certain Islands in the River ST. JOHN, and other Rivers in this PROVINCE, to make rules and regulations for their better improvement and cultivation.

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Preamble.

WHEREAS there are many Islands lying in the River *Saint John*, and other rivers in this Province, owned in small rights or shares, and on which division fences are liable to be carried away by the current, and pressure of the water passing in times of freshes over the same.

Proprietors of the Islands may meet once a year on the first day of the winter sessions, in the county,

and by a major vote may pass orders and rules for the husbandry and improvement of the said Islands:— the votes to be collected according to the respective rights or shares under actual cultivation. And if any of the said Proprietors shall

I. *Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly,* That the respective proprietors of the said Islands may and are hereby authorized to meet once a year, on the first day of the winter Sessions, in the respective Counties in which such islands are included; and such and so many of the respective proprietors of the said islands as shall be present, shall have power by a major vote to make and pass orders, rules and regulations for the managing, improving, and better husbandry of the said islands, the voices of the respective proprietors present to be collected according to their respective rights or shares under actual cultivation and improvement. And if any of the said proprietors shall in disobedience of the votes, orders, rules and regulations, so made and passed, occupy, husband, manage or improve his, her or their respective shares or rights, contrary to such

such votes, orders, rules and regulations, he she or they shall be subject to an action of trespass, for the damage sustained by any proprietor, and shall forfeit and pay to the use of the poor of the respective parish to which the Island containing such shares or rights belong, a fine of *forty shillings* for each and every offence, to be recovered on complaint to a Justice of the Peace, who is hereby empowered to hear and determine the same, provided the said action of trespass or complaint be prosecuted within one month.

disobey the orders and rules so made, they shall be subject to an action of trespass for the damage sustained, and shall forfeit & pay to the use of the poor of the town to which the island belongs 40s. for every offence, to be recovered before any one Justice of the Peace.

II. And the said votes, orders, rules and regulations, made and passed as aforesaid, shall be reduced to writing, and subscribed by the major part of the proprietors present, collecting their voices as aforesaid, and afterwards deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the respective counties, and shall be in force for one year and no longer.

The said votes, orders and rules shall be reduced to writing, & subscribed by the majority of those present, and deposited with the clerk of the peace in the county, and shall be in force but one year.

III. *Provided also*, That the said respective proprietors of the said Islands may meet at such times and places in the present year as shall be fixed and stated by two justices in each county, on application of any one or more of said proprietors.

The proprietors may meet for this year at such times and places as shall be fixed by two justices, on application of one or more proprietors.

IV. And for the security and protection of the said Islands against trespasses, it is also enacted, that the water surrounding them and each of them, shall be deemed and taken in law a lawful fence.

The water round the islands shall be deemed a lawful fence.

This clause repeated vid p. 193.

V. This act to continue and be in force for three years and no longer.

Act to be in force three years.

CAP. III.

An ACT for laying an IMPOST.

I. *Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly,*

THAT from and after the first day of April next, there be, and hereby is granted unto his Majesty, his heirs and successors, for the use of this province, and for the support of the government thereof, the several rates and duties, on the articles hereafter mentioned, which shall, or may be brought or imported

After the first of April shall