

taper more than one inch to every fourteen feet in length; and no log shall have a sweep unless it has two straight sides; that the Surveyor shall cause every log to be canted and carefully examine every side thereof, he shall survey no log until it is square butted, he shall mark the contents in figures on the butt end of every log, with the purchasers mark, and his own initials, and shall be liable to a prosecution by the party injured, and to a forfeiture not exceeding *five shillings* per ton, for every log he may pass contrary to the provisions of this Act, he shall furnish the purchaser and seller immediately with a survey bill, and shall keep a book of entries of all lumber surveyed by him, noting the time of such survey, and the persons from whom and to whom it was surveyed, to be referred to at any time as evidence of such survey: It shall be lawful for a Surveyor to survey lumber in any part of the County in which he is appointed, and for extra services required by virtue of this Act, the Surveyor shall be paid at the rate of *eight pence* per ton, instead of *six pence* heretofore allowed, except for timber surveyed in the City and County of *Saint John*, which allowance shall be paid by the purchaser.

Logs to be square butted and marked on the butt end.

Surveyors to keep entries of Lumber surveyed.

Merchantable lath-wood.

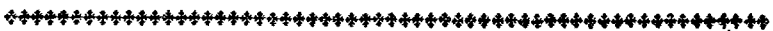
IV. *And be it further enacted*, That no lathwood shall be deemed merchantable, unless it be square butted, of straight rift, free of bark, knots and heart.

V. And whereas some evil disposed persons are in the practice of plugging timber and masts, for the purpose of passing such timber or masts by such deceptions as merchantable: *Be it therefore enacted*, that any person convicted of plugging any timber or masts, where any defect is covered by such plugging, shall be liable to pay a fine of *forty shillings*, for each and every offence, which penalty as well as the penalties before inflicted by this Act, shall be recovered before any one of His MAJESTY'S Justices of the Peace, with costs of suit, upon the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, and levied by Warrant of distress and sale of the offender's goods and chattels, rendering the overplus (if any) after deducting the costs and charges of prosecution to the offender, one half such penalties to be for the benefit of the person complaining, and the other half for the benefit of the poor of the Parish, where such offence shall be committed.

Forty shillings penalty for plugging masts or timber.

Former Acts continued in force.

VI. *And be it further enacted*, That the herein before recited Acts and every part of the same, not hereby repealed, altered or amended, be, and remain in full force and virtue, any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.



CAP. XXIV.

An ACT to authorise the Justices of the Peace in their General Sessions, to establish Ferries in their respective Counties. Passed the 14th of March, 1810.

WHEREAS

**W**HEREAS it is often found difficult for travellers in passing to the different parts of the Province to cross rivers and creeks for want of proper establishments of Ferries. Preamble.

*Be it therefore enacted by the President, Council, and Assembly,* That the Justices in their General Sessions of the Peace for each County, shall be, and are hereby authorised and empowered to establish such Ferries over rivers, bays, and creeks; within their respective Counties, as may be by them thought necessary in places where the same are not already established by grants from the Crown. *Provided always,* that this Act or any thing therein contained, shall not extend, or be construed to extend to restrain, or any wise affect the right of the KING's Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, to make any grant or grants of any Ferry or Ferries, in places where the same may be found necessary. *Provided also,* that this Act shall continue and be in force six years and no longer. Justices may establish Ferries in their respective Counties. Not to restrain or affect the King's rights.

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CAP. XXV.

An ACT to repeal an Act, intituled "An Act to render Justices of the Peace more safe in the execution of their duty." Passed the 14th of March, 1810.

**W**HEREAS Justices of the Peace are rendered sufficiently safe in the execution of their duty, by the Act of Assembly, passed in the forty-first year of His MAJESTY's Reign, intituled "An Act for the rendering Justices of the Peace more safe in the execution of their office; and for indemnifying Constables and others acting in obedience to their warrants." Preamble.

*Be it therefore enacted by the President, Council, and Assembly,* That an Act passed in the forty-seventh year of His MAJESTY's Reign, intituled "An Act to render Justices of the Peace more safe in the execution of their duty," be, and the same is hereby repealed. *Provided always,* that this Act shall have no retrospective force or operation. Former Law repealed.

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CAP. XXVI.

An ACT in addition to an Act, intituled "An Act for the more effectual prevention of desertion from His Majesty's Forces." Passed the 14th of March, 1810.

**W**HEREAS an Act, made and passed in the forty-fifth year of His MAJESTY's Reign, intituled "An Act for the more effectual prevention of desertion from His Majesty's Forces," has provided that the rewards to be given for apprehending deserters, shall not in any one year exceed *one hundred* Preamble.