

CAP. XIV.

ACT to encourage the employment of Apprentices in the Art of Ship building in this Province.

Passed 17th March 1825.

WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage the employment of the Youth of this Province in the Art of Ship building,
Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the first day of January next, every master Ship-builder in this Province, shall have and employ in his Ship-yard, at least, two Apprentices, being bona fide British Subjects, indented for the term of four years at least, to learn the said Art of Ship building, who at the period of being indented respectively, shall not be less than fifteen years of age, under the penalty of fifty pounds for each and every Ship or Vessel of the burthen of one hundred tons or upwards, that such master builder may build without having such number of Apprentices as aforesaid, to be recovered by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, in the Supreme Court, by any person who shall prosecute and sue for the same, and shall be divided, one moiety to the person, so suing and prosecuting, and the other moiety to the benefit of the County in which the Ship-yard shall be.

Every master builder to have and employ two Apprentices, British Subjects, indented for four years.

At the time of being indented to be 15 years of age,

under penalty of £50 for each Vessel of 100 Tons that such master may build,

To be recovered in the Supreme Court.

Half to the Prosecutor, half to the benefit of the County.