

CAP. XIII.

An Act to erect the North-eastern part of the County of Westmorland into a distinct Town or Parish, and also to authorize the appointment of Parish Officers at the November General Sessions in each year.

Passed the 19th March, 1827.

I. **BE** it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the Fifteenth day of November next, all that tract of Land at present situate in the Parishes of Sackville and Dorchester, in the County of Westmorland, and bounded and described as follows, that is to say, commencing at a point on the Sea Shore at the extremity of the boundary line between the said County of Westmorland and the County of Northumberland, thence Westerly following the said boundary-line until it meets a line drawn North twenty degrees West, from the Northwestern corner of a lot granted to Collon Connor, which lot is situate on the Portage leading from Shediack to Peticudiack River, and running from the said County line along the line last mentioned, to the said Northwestern corner of Collon Connor's lot, thence following the Western bound of the said lot, and the extension thereof, until it meets a line drawn due East from the mouth of Fox Creek, thence following the said east line until it reaches the side line of the Parish of Botsford, thence following the said side line to the Sea Shore, and thence following the Sea Shore to the place of beginning, comprehending and including Shediack Island, be a distinct Town or Parish, distinguished by the name of the Town or Parish of Shediack.

Part of the Parishes of Sackville and Dorchester in the County of Westmorland, erected into a distinct Town or Parish

To be called Shediack.

II. *And whereas* the appointment of Town or Parish Officers in the said County of Westmorland has for several years past been made by the Justices

Justices at the General Sessions of the Peace, holden in and for the said County, on the third Tuesday in November, instead of the first General Session in the year, as directed by an Act made and passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled "An Act for the appointment of Town or Parish officers in the several Counties in this Province:" And whereas such alteration has been found convenient and advantageous: *Be it therefore further enacted*, That the Justices of the Peace of the said County shall, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, annually, at the said General Sessions of the Peace, holden on the third Tuesday in November, to appoint such Town or Parish Officers as are directed in and by the said recited Act; and that so much of the said recited Act as directs the appointment to be made at the first General Sessions annually, so far as regards the said County of Westmorland, shall, and the same is hereby declared to be repealed.

Parish Officers to be appointed at the General Sessions on the 3d Tuesday in November.

Part of the 1st sec. 26 Geo 3, c. 23. Repealed.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That all appointments which have been so made at the said November General Sessions, in any year, shall, and they are hereby declared to be good, valid and effectual, and all Acts done by such Parish Officers in the due exercise of their respective offices, shall be, and they are hereby declared as valid and lawful, as if such Officers had been appointed at the first General Sessions in the year, and the Officers appointed at the last November Sessions shall continue and remain in the discharge of their several Offices until others are appointed in their stead in November next.

Appointment of Officers, and acts done by them in discharge of their offices confirmed.

To continue in office till others are appointed.

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That all such Officers so appointed as aforesaid, shall be indemnified and are hereby freed and discharged against and from all Suits, Actions, Prosecutions, or Informations whatsoever, that may be had, moved,

Officers freed from suits &c. and

Made liable to same penalties, as if appointed at the first annual Sessions.

moved, or prosecuted against them, or any of them; for or by reason, or on account of any acts by them or any of them done, in the due discharge of their several and respective offices, and that they be and remain subject to the like penalties and forfeitures, for neglect or misbehaviour in the execution of the duty of their respective offices, as if they had been appointed at the first annual Sessions.

CAP. XIV.

An Act to regulate the Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto and its branches.

Passed the 19th March, 1827.

Preamble.

WHEREAS the valuable Bass Fishery in the River Richibucto and its Branches is going into decay by the use of Scoop or Dip Nets with small Meshes, by means of which the young Fish are taken and destroyed, for remedy whereof,

No net to be used for taking Bass unless the meshes be over five inches square, under a penalty of £5, recoverable before a Justice,

To be levied with costs by distress, and for want of goods, offender to be imprisoned for 10 days.

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, it shall not be lawful for any person to use any Net for the purpose of taking Bass in the said River Richibucto, or any of its Branches, unless the Meshes of such Net shall be over five inches square, under the penalty of *Five pounds* for each and every offence, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace for the County wherein such River or Branches shall be situate, upon the oath of one or more credible witness, or witnesses, and to be levied, together with the costs of such conviction, by warrant of distress upon the goods and chattles of such offender, and for want of such goods and chattles the offender to be committed to the County Gaol, by warrant