

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.

**W**HEREAS 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

warrant under the hand and seal of such Justice, for the term of ten days, unless such fine and costs shall be sooner paid; all which penalties, when recovered to be paid to the Overseers of the Poor, for the Parish where the offence shall be committed, for the support of the Poor thereof.

Penalties applied.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall continue, and be in force until the first day of April, which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine.

Limitation.

## CAP. XV.

An Act to empower the Justices of the County of Charlotte to make regulations for driving Timber and Logs down the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, and their branches.

*Passed the 19th March, 1827.*

**W**HEREAS much injury has been sustained by many persons lumbering on the Rivers Saint Croix, Magaguadavic, and Digdeguash, and the several branches thereof, in the County of Charlotte, in consequence of the neglect of some of the owners of Timber and Saw Logs (from time to time got out, and intended to be floated down the same) to attend, when there was a sufficiency of water to enable them to float and drive the same down the said Rivers and Branches to the places of rafting or sawing: *And whereas* it would greatly tend to the advantage of the lumbering and mercantile interests of that part of the Province, if suitable regulations were made to remedy the evil,

Preamble.

I. *Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly*, That the Justices Peace in and for the said County of Charlotte, of the shall and may have full power and authority, at any

Justices of the Peace empowered to make rules for driving Timber and Saw Logs, and