

“under the Hand and Seal of the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief
 “for the time being, which Licence the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in
 “Chief for the time being, is hereby authorized and empowered to grant :” And
 “Whereas it is expedient to remove doubts relating to certain Marriages which have
 “been supposed to be celebrated without Licences therefor being first obtained ;”

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That no Marriage actually solemnized and intended to be celebrated by Licence in this Province, before the passing of this Act, shall be void or voidable only because no Licence for such Marriage had been previously obtained; provided that no other impediment or lawful hinderance to such Marriage existed at the time of its celebration.

No marriage intended to be celebrated by licence before the passing of this Act to be voidable because no licence had been previously obtained.

II. And be it enacted, That no person authorized to issue Marriage Licences in this Province shall demand or receive any fee for any such Licence until the delivery of the Licence to or for the party applying therefor, under the penalty of fifty pounds for every offence, to be sued for and recovered by action of debt or by information in the Supreme Court in the name of Her Majesty's Attorney General for the time being.

No fee for a marriage licence to be received before the delivery of the licence.

III. And be it enacted, That every Licence hereafter issued in blank from the Secretary's Office, shall be marked with a specific number, and with the date of its issue from such Office, and a register shall be kept shewing to whom and on what day every such Licence in blank is issued.

Licences issued from the Secretary's Office to be numbered and registered.

IV. And be it enacted, That every Minister or other person authorized to celebrate Marriage in this Province, shall on or before the first day of January in every year, forward to the Provincial Secretary a list of the Licences received by him during the preceding year, with the numbers and dates of such Licences, and the days on which the Marriages respectively were celebrated.

Ministers or persons authorized to celebrate marriage, to make an annual return to the Provincial Secretary's Office.

CAP. LVII.

An Act to prevent the destruction of Moose in this Province.

Passed 26th April 1850.

WHEREAS the preservation of Moose in this Province will be highly beneficial to the inhabitants thereof: Preamble.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act no person or persons whosoever shall under any pretence whatsoever, take, kill, wound or otherwise destroy any Moose within the limits of this Province between the first day of February and the first day of May in each and every year during the continuance of this Act.

No Moose to be taken, killed, &c. between the first of February and first of May.

II. And be it enacted, That any person who shall take, kill, or in any way destroy, or cause to be taken, killed, or in any way destroyed, any Moose within the time above specified, shall for each and every offence forfeit and pay the sum of ten pounds, to be recovered with costs in any Court of competent jurisdiction, one half thereof upon recovery to be paid to the person who shall inform and sue for the same, and the other half to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish where the offence may be committed, for the use of the Poor of such Parish; and in case sufficient goods and chattels cannot be found whereon to levy such penalty and costs, the offender shall be liable to be imprisoned in the common gaol of the County where the offence may be committed for any term not exceeding two months.

Penalty for taking killing, &c. between the specified periods.

Recovery.

In default of goods, imprisonment.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of May which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five.

Limitation.

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