

*Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1813.* Saint John, NB: Jacob Mott, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1813.

53 George III – Chapter 6

**An Act to provide for the accommodation and billeting of His Majesty's Troops and the Militia when on their march. Passed the 3rd of March, 1813.**

Be it enacted by the President, Council and Assembly, that whenever any regiment or detachment of His Majesty's forces, or of the Militia forces, shall be ordered to march from one part of this Province, to another part thereof, it shall and may be lawful for any one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, inhabiting in or near any City, Town, Village or Place, at or through which such forces shall arrive, or pass, to quarter and billet the Officers and Soldiers of the forces so on their march as aforesaid, in taverns; and in places and situations where there may not be a sufficient number of taverns wherein to quarter and billet any regiment or detachment that may be on a march as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful to billet, a part of such regiment or detachment in other, dwelling houses, in the discretion of the Magistrate giving billets for the same.

II. And be it further enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for any one or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, for the County, where any march of His Majesty's forces is to commence, or for the County through or to which any such march is to be continued, upon the application of the Commanding Officer, of such forces producing a route signed by the Commander in Chief of the Province for the time being, to order a suitable number of horses, carts, waggons, sleds, or vessels or boats, of any description used in the navigable rivers in this Province, to be furnished for conveying upon such route, the baggage of such forces, and determine what person or persons shall furnish the same, and the person or persons respectively who shall furnish the same in pursuance of the order of such Justice or Justices, shall be intitled to receive for the same, after the service required, shall have been performed by him or them respectively, such compensation as the Justice or Justices who shall make the order for furnishing the same, shall deem and certify to be reasonable and proper, to be paid by the Commanding Officer on whose application such order of such Justice or Justices may have been made, or by the person or persons appointed by the Commander in Chief to make payment for the same.

III. And be it further enacted, that every person who shall refuse or neglect to furnish any horse, cart, waggon, sled, or vessel or boat of any description used in any of the navigable rivers of this Province, upon the order of any one or more of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace as herein before provided, without a reasonable excuse to be allowed by such Justice or Justices, shall forfeit and pay for each and every offence a sum not exceeding five pounds to be recovered before any one Justice of the peace, and levied by distress and sale of the offenders goods, which fine when recovered shall be applied to the use of the poor of the Parish where the same may be recovered.

IV. And be it further enacted, that if any officer commanding any detachment of His Majesty's forces as aforesaid, shall force or constrain any horse, cart, waggon, sled, or vessel or boat of any description ordered to be furnished as aforesaid, to travel or go to a greater distance than shall be

pointed out by the Justice or Justices giving the order as aforesaid, or shall refuse to discharge the same in due time or shall overload or suffer the same to be overloaded, or shall force any horse, cart, waggon, sled, vessel or boat of any description from the owner or owners thereof, by himself servants or soldiers, every such officer shall (over and above being liable in damages to the party injured) forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding five pounds, to be levied and applied as in the foregoing section.

V. And be it further enacted, that the ferrymen at all established ferries in the Province shall transport and convey the soldiers, officers and baggage of any of His Majesty's forces upon a march as aforesaid, over their respective ferries, for one half of the established rate of carriage at such ferry respectively.

VI. And be it further enacted, that this Act shall continue and be in force until the end of the next Session of the General Assembly and no longer.