

Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1817. Fredericton, NB: George K. Lugin, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1817.

57 George III – Chapter 1

An Act to prohibit the exportation of Corn, Meal, Flour and Potatoes out of the Province for a limited time. Passed the 17th of February, 1817.

Whereas it is expedient under the present circumstances, owing to the failure of the late Crops, to prohibit the exportation of any sort of Corn, Meal or Flour, and other articles made thereof, and of Potatoes from any part of this Province—

I. Be it therefore enacted by the President, Council and Assembly, That from and after the passing of this Act, and until the end of four months to be accounted from the same, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to export in any Ship, Vessel or Boat from any part of this Province, the necessary Stores and Provisions for such Ship, Vessel or Boat excepted, any Wheat, Rye, Barley, Oats or any Meal, Flour or Bread, or Biscuit made thereof, or any Potatoes.

II. And be it further enacted, That if any person or persons shall export or shall load or lay on board any Ship, Vessel or Boat with intent to export the same, any Corn or other of the articles aforesaid, the person or persons so exporting or loading or laying on board with intent to export the same, and each and every of them shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds to be recovered and applied in the same manner as is provided in and by the third section of an Act made and passed in the forty-seventh year of the Reign of his present Majesty, intituled “An Act for raising a Revenue in this Province.”

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Treasurer of this Province and his Deputies or either of them, and they are hereby authorised and required to seize and take any such Ship, Vessel or Boat, and the said Corn or other articles aforesaid loaded and laid on board as aforesaid, and to detain the same, and that information shall and may be thereupon made by His Majesty's Attorney General in the Supreme Court of this Province, and proceedings had to condemnation and sale according to the course of the said Court, and upon such condemnation and sale, the proceeds thereof shall be paid and applied as follows, that is to say, one moiety thereof, after deducting the costs and charges of prosecution to the officer who shall seize the same or to the person who shall have given information in consequence of which such seizure shall have been made and prosecuted as the Court before which such prosecution may be had shall adjudge, and the other moiety to the Treasurer of the Province for the use of the same.

IV. Provided also and be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor or Commander-in-Chief of this Province for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council at any time to suspend the operation of this Act by Proclamation under his hand and seal for that purpose made and published.