

Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1866. Fredericton, NB: G. E. Fenety, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1866.

29 Victoria – Chapter 2 (Session 1)

An Act to make better provision for the Naval Defence of this Province. Passed 16th April, 1866.

Section.

1. Armed ships, how provided.
2. Number of men whose services may be accepted.
3. Officers, how appointed.

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4. Pay of officers and men.
5. Officers and men, to what regulations subject.
6. Act how long to remain in force.

Whereas by an Act of the Imperial Parliament passed in the twenty eighth year of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled "*An Act to make better provision for the Naval Defence of the Colonies,*" it was, among other things, enacted that it should be lawful for the proper legislative authority in any Colony, with the approval of Her Majesty in Council, from time to time to make provision for providing, maintaining and using a Vessel or Vessels of War, subject to such conditions and for such purposes as Her Majesty in Council from time to time approves, for raising and maintaining Seamen and others entered on terms of being bound to serve as ordered in any such Vessel; for appointing Commissioned, Warrant, and other Officers, to train and command or serve with any such men ashore or afloat, on such terms and subject to such regulations as Her Majesty in Council from time to time approves; for enforcing good order and discipline among the men and officers aforesaid while ashore or afloat within the limits of the Colony; and for making the men and officers aforesaid while ashore or afloat within the limits of the Colony, or elsewhere, subject to all enactments and regulations for the time being in force for the discipline of the Royal Navy: And whereas it is expedient that provision should be made for the Naval Defence of this Province against hostile aggression;—

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows:—

1. That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor in Council to provide, commission, and employ armed ships, not exceeding four in number, in the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, subject to such conditions and for such purposes as Her Majesty in Council may from time to time approve.
2. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor in Council to accept the services of a force of not exceeding two hundred men for service on board the said vessels.
3. It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick to issue Commissions, under his hand and seal, appointing officers of the said force.

4. The officers and men of such force shall receive such pay as may be determined upon from time to time by the Governor in Council.
5. Such officers and men shall be subject to all enactments, rules and regulations from time to time in force for the regulation of the Royal Navy; provided always, that no officer or seaman of such force shall be subject to any corporal punishment, except death or imprisonment, for any contravention of such enactments, rules, and regulations; and provided also, that the Governor in Council may direct that any provision of the said laws and regulations shall not apply to such force.
6. This Act shall remain in force until the first day of May which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty seven, and no longer.