

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Newfoundland*, passed in the year 1863.

26 Victoria – Chapter 3

**An Act to Extend the Jurisdiction of the Circuit Courts of Newfoundland to the Trial of Offences committed, and of Causes of Action arising, on the Coast of Labrador. (Passed 25th March, 1863.)**

Whereas it is expedient to extend the Jurisdiction of the Circuit Courts of Newfoundland to the Trial of Offences committed, and of Causes of Action arising, on the Coast of Labrador:

Be it therefore Enacted by the Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened:

That the Circuit Courts of Newfoundland shall have power to hear and determine all Crimes and Offences, Informations, Suits, and Actions committed, occurring, or arising, on all such parts of the Coast of Labrador as are within the Government of Newfoundland, and shall have power to proceed to Final Judgment and Execution therein, and shall have the same Jurisdiction, Powers and Authority, as are by Law vested in the Supreme Court of Newfoundland, saving and excepting the Trial and Determining of Treasons or Misprisions of Treason, and Capital Felonies, and the hearing and determining of any Information, Suit, or Action, for the breach or violation of any Act of Parliament, relating to the Trade and Revenue of the British Colonies in America: Provided always, that the Parties charged with such Crimes or Offences, and the Parties to such Suits or Actions, shall reside within the Judicial Districts in which such Court shall be respectively holden. And provided that all Actions or Suits now depending in either of the said Circuit Courts for or in respect of any matter or thing done or committed on the Coast of Labrador, by any Person or Persons, may be proceeded with, Tried and Determined, under the provisions of this Act.