

in the district of Montreal ; and to the Clerk of the Peace for the district of Three-Rivers, if such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, shall have been saved in the district of Three-Rivers ; and such Harbour-Master, or Clerk of the Peace, as the case may be, shall cause immediate notice to be given, by public advertisement, posted in the most public and frequented place, and in the Quebec Gazette (the amount of the costs and expenses thereof being previously deposited in his hands, with the fee of two shillings and sixpence currency for such posting and publishing as aforesaid) of the saving of such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, and of the number and marks thereof, (if any there be) of the person or persons by whom the same shall have been saved, and of the place at which such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards shall so as aforesaid, have been placed ; and all and every person or persons, who shall aid and assist in the saving of such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, shall be paid his or their charges and expenses incurred in saving the same, with a reasonable reward for salvage, by the owner or owners of such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, so saved ; and in default of such payment, such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards so saved, shall remain in the custody of the person or persons who shall have saved the same, until such charges, expenses and reward, as aforesaid shall be paid, or security given for that purpose to his or their satisfaction ; and in case of disagreement respecting the quantum of such charges, expenses, and reward aforesaid or any or either of them, it shall be lawful for the owner or owners of the timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards so saved, or the merchant or person therein interested on the behalf of such owner or owners, and for the person or persons who shall have so saved such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, to nominate any three of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, who shall adjust and decide the quantum of such charges, expenses, and reward aforesaid, and of any or either of them ; and such adjustment or decision shall be final and conclusive, and binding upon all parties ; and the amount thereof shall and may be recovered in an Action at Law, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Law in this Province, having jurisdiction in civil causes to the amount of such adjustment and decision ; and if such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, within six months after such information by public advertisement, as aforesaid, shall not be claimed ; or if the person or persons claiming such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, shall not to the satisfaction of the Harbour-Master, or Clerk of the Peace, by whom such information by public advertisement as aforesaid, shall be given, or otherwise, in due course of Law, prove the property of such timber, masts, spars, staves, plank or boards, so saved by him or them, public sale shall be made thereof, by order of such Harbour-Master or Clerk of the Peace, as aforesaid ; and the charges of such sale, together with the charges and expenses incurred in saving such timber, masts, spars, staves,