

of His said late Majesty King George the Fourth, except in so far as the said Act repeals a certain other Act passed in the Fifty-seventh year of the Reign of His said late Majesty King George the Third, and except in so far as it legalizes all Marriages in Newfoundland had within a certain period, and declares them to be good and valid, shall be, and the same is, hereby repealed.

Marriages, by whom
to be celebrated.

II.—*And be it further enacted*, that all Marriages which may hereafter be had in Newfoundland and its Dependencies, shall be celebrated by Persons in Holy Orders or by any resident Minister publicly recognized as the Pastor and Teacher of any Congregation having a Church or Chapel, or by any Persons employed to discharge the duties of Teachers or Preachers of Religion, such Teachers or Preachers being duly licensed to celebrate Marriage by the Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being of the said Colony or its Dependencies, except in the cases hereinafter especially excepted and provided for.

Two credible Wit-
nesses to be present.

III.—*And be it further enacted*, that no Person in Holy Orders, nor any such Preacher or Teacher of Religion as aforesaid, nor any other Person authorized to celebrate Marriage by this Act, shall celebrate or perform Marriage between any Persons in Newfoundland, or its Dependencies, except in the presence of two credible Witnesses; and if any such Person in Holy Orders, or Teacher or Preacher of Religion as aforesaid, or any other Person authorized to celebrate Marriage by this Act, shall hereafter celebrate or perform any Marriage between any Persons in Newfoundland or its Dependencies, except in the presence of two credible Witnesses, he shall incur and become liable to the payment of a fine of Fifty Pounds Sterling Money of Great Britain, but the want of such Witnesses shall not invalidate the Marriage.

Penalty.

Where parties are
under age, banns to
be published, or con-
sent of parties ob-
tained.

IV.—*And be it further enacted*, that if any Person or Persons duly authorized and licensed as aforesaid to perform or celebrate Marriage in Newfoundland and its Dependencies, shall so perform or celebrate any Marriage between any two persons either of whom shall be under Age, without having first duly published the Banns thereof on three successive Sundays, in some Church or Chapel, or where there is no Church or Chapel, then, after notice of such intended Marriage shall have been placarded in some conspicuous place of public resort for the space of three weeks immediately preceding the day appointed for the celebration of such proposed Marriage, or without having first obtained the consent of the Parents or Guardians of such Person or Persons under age, he or they shall be taken and deemed to be guilty of a high misdemeanour, and shall, on conviction thereof before the Judges of the Supreme Court or the presiding Judge of any Circuit Court of this Island, suffer such penalty as the said Court in its discretion shall award, not exceeding the sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling.

All Marriages to be
registered.

V.—*And be it further enacted*, that every Person in Holy Orders, and every Teacher or Preacher of Religion as aforesaid, by whom any Marriage shall be performed or celebrated in Newfoundland or its Dependencies from and after the first day of August next, shall, under the penalty of Five Pounds, immediately after the performance or celebration of any such Marriage, enter in a Register or Book to be kept for that purpose in the Church or Chapel in which he performs Divine Service, a Certificate or Record of such Marriage, subscribed with his own name, and comprising and containing the names and signatures or marks of the Parties married, the day and year when and the place where the Marriage was performed, and the names and signatures of two credible Witnesses present at such Marriage, and such Register

Register to be kept
at Church or Chapel.