

of the Legislative Assembly of the province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to re-unite the provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, in the manner provided for in an Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to provide for the appointment of magistrates for the more remote parts of this province," to name and appoint such and so many fit and proper persons as may be deemed expedient to be and act as justices of the peace within, and whose jurisdiction as such justices of the peace shall extend over such remote part or parts of Lower Canada, as the Governor in Council may by proclamation define and declare, although such remote part or parts may be comprised within the constituted limits of any district of this province, any thing to the contrary in the said Act contained notwithstanding; and that all the provisions of the said Act shall be deemed to apply and shall apply, to any justice of the peace to be appointed by virtue of this Act, and also to any officer or officers in command of any of Her Majesty's vessels in the gulf and river St. Lawrence, and to any other person who may have been or shall have been appointed a justice of the peace, with instructions to act as such in the gulf and river St. Lawrence, and on the shores of the said gulf and river, for the better protection of those of Her Majesty's subjects who are or shall be engaged in the trade of the fisheries in the said gulf and river, in the same manner as if the said places and persons above mentioned and described were specially named and described in the said Act; anything to the contrary in the said Act contained notwithstanding.

Provisions of 9 Vict. cap. 41. extended to justices appointed in certain places, and for certain purposes.

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16 VICTORIA, Cap. xcii.

No. 25.

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An Act relating to the Fisheries on the Labrador and North Shore of the Gulph of St. Lawrence. [Assented to 22d April 1853.]

WHEREAS the whale, seal, cod, mackarel, herring, and other fisheries in the Gulph of St. Lawrence are of great importance to Her Majesty's subjects in this province, several of whom concerned in those fisheries have been of late years by strong hand prevented by persons residing on or frequenting the Labrador or North Shore of the said Gulph from making on the coasts thereof and islands contiguous thereto, although uninhabited and waste, the temporary buildings, try houses, sheds, stages, flakes, and other erections necessary to the carrying on of those fisheries, but who nevertheless, in the lawful pursuit of such fisheries, have, as British subjects, a right to land and construct such erections on the waste and unoccupied parts of the coast, not disturbing nor interfering with previous occupants, and are entitled, as pursuing an important branch of public and national industry, to protection, and every facility which, without injury to planters and those permanently settled on the coast, the various localities on the said coast and islands contiguous thereto afford, and it therefore is expedient to declare and enact as herein-after it is done: Be it therefore declared and enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative council and of the legislative assembly of the province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada, and it is hereby declared and enacted by the authority of the same, That all and every Her Majesty's subjects carrying on or concerned in the whale, seal, cod, and other fisheries in the Gulph of St. Lawrence, shall peaceably have, use, and enjoy the freedom of taking bait and of fishing in any and every river, creek, harbour, or road, with liberty to go on shore on any part or parts of the Labrador or North Shore of the Gulph of St. Lawrence, and upon any islands contiguous thereto, within the limits of the province of the Gulph Shore or Labrador, for the purposes of the whale and other fisheries, and for salting, curing, and drying fish there, to cut wood for making and repairing stages, flakes, hurdles, cook-rooms, and other purposes necessary for preparing their

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All Her Majesty's subjects to have certain privileges on the said shore and in the said Gulf.