

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this Province of *Nova-Scotia*, begun and holden at HALIFAX, on the Fifth Day of December, 1785, in the Twenty Sixth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third of *Great-Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations unto the Fifth Day of March, 1789, in the Twenty Ninth Year of his Majesty's Reign, being the Fourth Session of the Sixth *General Assembly*, convened in the said Province.

C A P. I.

An A C T for the better Regulation of Elections.

*E*t it enacted by the Lieutenant Governour, Council and Assembly, and it is hereby enacted by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Publication hereof, every Sheriff or other Officer to whom any Writ for electing a Member or Members to serve in the *General Assembly* of this Province, shall be directed upon Receipt thereof shall forthwith give public Notice of the Day and Place of the Election, by putting up Advertisements at least twenty Days before the Time of such Election at three of the most public Places in their County, and shall, at the Time appointed at the County Court House, if the Election be held for the County, and at the usual and accustomed Place, if held for a Township, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve in the Morning proceed to the Election by reading his Writ, and shall not declare the Choice upon the View, nor adjourn from that to any other Place without the Consent of the Candidates, nor by any unnecessary Adjournment delay the Election, but shall, if a Poll be required, fairly and indifferently proceed from Day to Day and Time to Time to take the Poll, until all the Electors then and there present be polled, and before the Sheriff shall close the Poll so opened, unless with the Consent of the Candidates, he shall make Proclamation for the Freeholder to come forward and give their Votes, and if, after such Proclama-

Twenty Days Notice previous to an Election, and Public Notice in three News Papers.