

by Warrant under the hand and seal of any Provincial Judge in his circuit, or of any Justice of the Peace of the district or precinct, wherein such offence, negligence or default shall have taken place, rendering an account of the surplus of such seizure, if any there be, to the party or parties, after having deducted the expenses which shall result therefrom, which Warrant such Provincial Judge on his circuit, or Justice of the Peace is hereby authorised and required to issue on complaint or information to him made or given, on conviction of the offender, either by confession of the offender or on the oath of one or more credible witness or witnesses, (other than the informer) and the penalties and fines when thus levied, shall be paid one half to the informer and the other half shall appertain to His Majesty, His heirs and successors, except when the said Superintendant shall be the informer, in which case the whole of the said fine shall belong to His Majesty; and all monies arising from this Act by fines or otherwise, which shall appertain to His Majesty, His heirs or successors, shall be paid to the Receiver General of this Province, for the support of the government thereof, and shall be accounted for to His Majesty, His heirs and successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, His heirs and successors shall direct. Provided always that no suit or action shall be brought or commenced unless it be within six months after the matter or thing done and committed, and not afterwards. And provided also, that the Superintendant of Provincial Post Houses, shall be admitted as a competent witness in all matters relating to the execution of this Act, though the action be at his suit or that he be the prosecutor or informer for any offence, negligence or default against the same.

XXI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and continue to be in force until the first day of
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