

rings; and all other kinds of Pickled Fish to be packed for home consumption or exportation have been well struck with salt and pickle, and preserved sweet, free from rust, taint or damage; and such Fish as are in good order and of a good quality shall be packed in good and sufficient tierces, barrels or half barrels; the tierces shall contain not less than three hundred pounds, the barrels not less than two hundred pounds, and the half-barrels not less than one hundred pounds of Fish each, and the same shall be packed with good and clean salt, suitable for the purpose; and the said casks, after being closely packed full and headed up with the Fish and sufficient salt, not less than in the proportion of one peck and a half of coarse salt to the barrel, or fine salt in proportion to preserve the same, shall be filled with clean strong pickle, and shall be branded on the head, "Salmon," "Mackerel," "Shad," "Alewives," "Herrings," or as the case may be; those of the best quality, most approved and free from damage, shall be branded "No. 1;" those of a second quality, after the best have been selected, being sweet and free from taint, rust or damage, shall be branded "No. 2;" and there shall be a third quality of Salmon and Mackerel, which shall consist of the poorest and thinnest of those Fish, which are sweet, wholesome, and free from rust, that shall be branded "No. 3." Provided always, that no small Herrings, commonly called Sprate or Frys shall be deemed merchantable: and the said Inspectors shall brand in plain and legible letters on the bilge of each and every such cask, across the staves, the initials of his christian name and his surname at length with the letters INSP. for Inspector, and on the head of each and every such cask, and in like manner, the same marks, and also the month and year in which they were inspected, and N. B. for New Brunswick; the brands on the heads to occupy three lines thus or as the case may be—

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Mackerel No. 1.

Each cask shall be filled with Fish of one and the same kind and quality, and if any person shall intermix, take out or shift any inspected Fish which have been packed and branded as aforesaid, or put in other Fish contrary to the true intent and meaning of this Act, he or they shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten pounds for each and every tierce, barrel, or half-barrel so altered: and if any person shall sell or export or cause to be sold or exported within or from this Province, as good or Merchantable, any tainted or damaged Fish, he shall forfeit and pay a sum not less than five shillings nor more than twenty shillings for every hundred pounds weight of such Fish thus sold or exported: Provided always, that it shall and may be lawful to export Herrings without pickle, if the same are in every other respect conformable to this Act.

IV. And be it further enacted, That all pickled Fish that may hereafter be imported into this Province, which shall appear to have been inspected at Halifax Nova Scotia, and are branded according to the Laws of that Province, may be sold in this Province or exported therefrom without any other inspection, unless the purchaser or purchasers of such Fish shall think proper to have the same again inspected, in which case it shall and may be lawful for the buyer, and the seller, if he shall think fit, to call an Inspector on behalf of each to reinspect such Fish; and on such reinspection, such Inspectors shall be governed by the provisions of this Act; which Inspectors shall be paid by the persons who shall respectively employ them.

V. And be it further enacted, That if the Master of any vessel, or any other person or persons shall put or receive on board any vessel, or other carriage or conveyance, to transport the same from this Province, any pickled Fish packed in casks which are not inspected and branded in manner by this Act prescribed, he or they on conviction shall forfeit and