

tenant Governor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, and duly notified at the Church doors of each and every Church, Chapel, or other place of Divine Service in the said Inferior District of Gaspé, or at the most public places of each and every settlement in the said Inferior District where the fisheries are carried on, in case there should be no such Church, Chapel or other place of Divine Service as aforesaid. And Provided also, that no fine to be imposed by such rules or regulations shall in any case exceed the sum of five pounds, currency. And that no such rule or regulation shall have force or effect after the expiration of this Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that one moiety as aforesaid of all such fines and forfeitures shall belong to the Informer, and the other moiety shall be paid into the hands of the Receiver-General of this Province, for the uses of His Majesty, his heirs and successors, and shall be accounted for to the crown through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for the time being, as His Majesty, his heirs and successors shall direct. Provided always that when any overseer to be appointed as aforesaid, shall be the informer and prosecutor, then the whole of such fines so recovered, shall belong to His Majesty, his heirs and successors.

XIV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that if any action or suit shall be commenced against any person or persons, for any thing done in pursuance of this Act, such action or suit shall be commenced within calendar months next after the offence shall have been committed and not afterwards; and the defendant or defendants in such action or suit, may plead the general issue and give this Act, and the special matter in evidence at any trial to be had thereupon; and that the same was done in pursuance of this Act—And if it shall appear so to have been done, then the Court shall find for the defendant or defendants, and if the plaintiff or plaintiffs shall be non-suited or discontinue his or their action after defendant or defendants shall have appeared; or if judgment shall be given against the plaintiff or plaintiffs, the defendant or defendants shall and may recover treble costs, and have the like remedy for the same as defendants have in other cases by law.

XV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and \_\_\_\_\_ and from thence to the end of the next Session of the Provincial Parliament.