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An Act for establishing a MERIDIONAL LINE, to regulate SURVEYORS in this Colony.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is highly necessary to promote accuracy in Surveying the Lands of this Colony, that a Meridional Line should be established by Astronomical Observation :

Governor, &c.
to appoint Commissioners for establishing a Meridional Line.

I. Be it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief of this Colony for the time being, to nominate and appoint Three Commissioners, (of whom His Majesty's Surveyor General of Lands in this Colony shall be one,) for the purpose of establishing a Meridional Line, in manner herein after directed, that is to say, that a Meridional Line, by Astronomical Observation, shall be properly drawn and ascertained, by correctly fixing *Three Stones*, of such sufficient height and dimensions as will admit a full view from the most Northerly stone of the two others in the said Line, which Stones to have the Line accurately marked thereon, together with the Variation, and Year in which the same was done.; the said Meridional Line to be fixed in the most convenient place in or near Charlotte-Town, by the said Commissioners, within *Six Months* after the passing of this Act, and by which all Surveyors shall regulate and rectify their several Instruments once in every year at least, and in the presence of the Surveyor General, or of some person by him duly authorized for that purpose, or of one or more of the said Commissioners.

Line how to be ascertained.

Surveyors to regulate their Instruments by it.

Surveyors to obtain Certificates of the sufficiency of their Instruments.

And all and every Surveyor of Lands is and are hereby required to demand and obtain from the said Surveyor General, or person authorized as aforesaid, or from one or more of the said Commissioners, a Certificate, that the several Instruments of such Surveyor, or Surveyors, to be used and employed in Surveying, are good and suffi-