5° GEORGH IV. Cap. 51.

the Occupation of vacant Spaces in Newfoundland, drying Fish, &c. :

So much of 26 G.3. c. 26. as relates to Wages, &c. :

And so much of 29 G.3. c.53. as relates to landing and drying Fish.

Aliens not to fish in Newfoundland or its Dependencies. Privileges granted by Treaty excepted.

Privilege of taking, curing, and drying Fish to be freely enjoyed by His Majesty's Subjects, who may occupy vacant Places, cut down Trees for building, and do every thing useful for their Fishing Trade.

the Fishermen, Sailors, and others employed in the said Fisheries, to the Ports thereof, at the End of the Fishing Season, as relates to the Masters and Crews of Fishing Ships occupying or using any vacant Spaces in Newfoundland, to the Privilege of drying Fish on the Shores, to Fishing Ships or Boats not being liable to Restraint or Regulations with respect to Days or Hours of working, or making Entry at the Custom House, to the carrying or conveying of Passengers to the Continent of America, to Agreements or Contracts between Hirtirs or Employers and Seamen or Fishermen, to the Penalties on such Hirers or Employers advancing Wages, and on such Seamen or Fishermen absenting themselves from their Duty, or neglecting or refusing to work, and the Manner of determining Disputes and Offences; and also so much of another Act passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act to amend and render more effectual the several Laws now in force for encouraging the Fisheries carried on at Newfoundland and Parts adjacent, from Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions in Europe, and for granting Bounties for a limited Time, on certain Terms and Conditions, as relates to the Wages of Green Men, the using of Seans or Nets, Seamen or Fishermen absenting themselves or neglecting their Duty, or deserting or intending to desert; and also so much of another Act passed in the Twenty-ninth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty George the Third, intituled An Act for further encouraging and regulating the Newfoundland and Greenland and Southern Whale Fisheries, as relates to the Privilege of landing and drying Fish in Newfoundland, shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, That no Alien or Stranger whatsoever shall at any Time hereafter take Bait, or use any Sort of Fishing whatsoever in *Newfoundland*, or the Coasts, Bays, or Rivers thereof, or on the Coast of *Labrador*, or in any of the Islands or Places within or dependent upon the Government of the said Colony; always excepting the Rights and Privileges granted by Treaty to the Subjects or Citizens of any Foreign State or Power in Amity with His Majesty.

III. And whereas it is expedient to obviate any Doubts which have arisen or may arise, as to what Persons are entitled to the Right or Privilege of taking, curing, and drying Fish on the Shores and Banks of Newfoundland; be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for all His Majesty's Subjects residing in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in any of His Majesty's Colonies, Plantations, or Dominions, to have, use, and enjoy the free Trade and Traffic and Art of Merchandize and Fishery to and from Newfoundland and the Coast of Labrador aforesaid, and all and every the Islands of Places within or dependent upon the Government of Newfoundland, and peaceably to have, use, and enjoy the Freedom of fishing and taking Bait in any of the Seas, Rivers, Lakes, Creeks, Harbours, or Roads in or about Newfoundland or the said Coast of Labrador, or any of the Islands adjacent thereunto respectively; and Liberty to go on Shore on any vacant or unoccupied Part of Newfoundland, or said Coasts of Labrador, or any of the said Islands adjacent