

“ from such wages as he may have due, or may afterwards be due unto him, for the use of the party aggrieved.” AND WHEREAS the said *third* section has hitherto been found defective and not to answer the purpose intended:—

I. *Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly,* That the above recited section be, and the same is hereby repealed; and instead thereof.—

Third section of the former act repealed.

II. *Be it enacted,* That from and after the passing of this act, if any master or commander of any ship or vessel, or any other person or persons, shall hire or engage, harbour, or conceal any Seaman, Mariner, or other person who shall have signed any former contract or articles, knowing him to have deserted from any ship or vessel within the province, every such master, commander, or other person or persons so offending, and being thereof convicted, shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty pounds to the use of the city or county where such offence shall be committed to be sued for in any Court of Record proper to try the same; and such Seaman, Mariner, or other Person who shall desert at any time during the voyage on which he is engaged by written contract or articles shall, over and above all penalties and forfeitures to which he is now by law subject, forfeit all the wages he may have agreed for, or be entitled to during the voyage from the master or owner of the ship or vessel on board of which he shall have entered after such desertion, to the use of the owner or owners of such ship or vessel as he shall have deserted from, to be sued for and recovered in the manner before directed.

Any person hiring or concealing any Seaman or other person who shall have signed any former contract knowing him to have deserted from any vessel to forfeit twenty pounds.

Any Seaman deserting during the voyage to forfeit, over and above the penalties to which he is by law subject, all the wages he may be entitled to during that voyage, to the use of the owner or owners.

Recited act, except as hereby altered to remain in full force.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That the before recited act and every clause, matter and thing therein contained (except wherein it is hereby altered and repealed) shall be and continue, and the same is hereby declared to be and continue in full force; any thing herein before contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

“forfeit all their wages as shall be then due to him or them” Stat. 1792 12 W. 3. c 7. 57

Eng. 12 W. 3. c. 7. directs a forfeiture (in case of desertion in parts beyond the sea) of all wages as shall be then due. § 17.
2 Geo. 2 If a Seaman deserts before the commencement of a voyage he forfeits all wages due at that time
31 Geo. 3 c 39. Ships of 200 tons upwards employed in the coasting trade to forfeit for neglect or refusal to proceed on the voyage the Seaman forfeits all wages due but for desertion afterwards a months wages to Greenwich Hospital.
37 G. 3. c 73. § 1. In addition to forfeitures of wages earned in service in the Ship from wh. a Seaman deserts, His Majesty's Justices are empowered to direct that all the wages, to which he might otherwise be entitled for the Voyage in the Ship on board of which he shall enter immediately after such desertion.