

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Province of *Nova Scotia*, begun and holden at *Halifax*, on the Sixth Day of *June*, Anno Domini 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. and there continued by several Prorogations until the Sixth Day of *October*, Anno Domini 1774, in the Fourteenth Year of His said Majesty's Reign; being the Fifth General Assembly convened in the said Province.

## C A P. I.

An Act for granting to His Majesty an Excise on Melasses and Brown Sugar, sold within, or brought into this Province, and for the more effectual improving and extending the Trade of this Colony to the *West-Indies*.

Duties granted



*E it Enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the First Day of January, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five, there shall be paid on all Melasses and Brown Sugar sold, or by any Ways or Means brought into this Province, the several Rates and Duties of Excise following, that is to say,*

on Melasses, 5d. per  
Gallon.

For every Gallon of Melasses, Five Pence,

Brown Sugar 5s.  
per Cent. Weight.

And for every One Hundred and Twelve Pounds of Brown Sugar,  
Five Saillings.

Merchants &c. ha-  
ving in Possession  
any Melasses or  
Brown Sugar shall

II. *And be it also Enacted, That all Merchants or other Persons whatsoever being Inhabitants, dealing in said Commodities, having in their Possession any Melasses for Sale or distilling, or Brown Sugar for Sale, shall within Ten Days from and after the Commencement of this*