

riding, borough or other place, of any description now or hereafter sending a representative or representatives to the house of assembly, of this province, until such person or persons shall have resided for and during the space of seven years next ensuing the day of his coming into and settling as a subject in the said province.

And from being proposed as a candidate for election.

II. *And be it further enacted*, That no person or persons of what condition soever, that shall or may have come into this province before the passing of this act, from any part, place or country not being under his majesty's government, and not having been a bona fide subject of the king for and during the term of seven years next preceeding the passing hereof, shall be eligible to be proposed, chosen or elected as a representative or representatives of any county, city, riding, borough or other place of any description, now or hereafter sending a representative or representatives to the house of assembly of this province, until such person or persons, shall have resided in the said province, for and during the space of seven years next preceeding the passing of this act.

Penalty for proposing or offering to become a candidate under such disqualifications.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons of what condition soever, coming from any part, place or country, not being under his majesty's government at the time of the passing of this act, and not having been a bona fide subject of the king for and during the space of seven years preceeding the passing thereof, and who shall and may have come into this province before the passing of this act and settled as a subject therein, from any part, place or country, not being under his majesty's government at the time of the passing of this act, and not having been a bona fide subject of the king for seven years preceeding the day of his coming into this province, with an intention to become a subject of the king, and his settling as such within the same, shall propose or offer himself or themselves as a candidate or candidates to become a representative or representatives of any county, city, riding, borough or other place, now or hereafter sending a representative or representatives, until such person or persons shall have resided for and during the term of seven years next ensuing the day of his coming into and settling as a subject in the said province; and shall be thereof convicted, by the oath of any one credible witness, shall forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds; to be recovered by any person who shall sue for the same, in his majesty's court of his bench in this province; by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, wherein no effoin, privilege, protection or wager of law shall be allowed; and only one imparlance, one half of which said sum shall be given unto the person suing for the same; and the other half paid into the hands of his majesty's receiver general to and for his majesty, his heirs and successors, for the public uses of the said province and support of the government thereof; to be accounted for to his majesty, through the commissioners of his treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as his majesty shall direct.

Penalty for obtruding into the house of assembly under such disqualification.

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That if any person or persons of the description aforesaid, coming hereafter to settle in this province, or being therein settled as aforesaid, before the passing of this act, shall be chosen or elected a representative or representatives (whether such person or persons shall have proposed or offered him or themselves as a candidate or candidates or not) of any county, city, riding, borough or other place of any description, now or hereafter sending a representative or representatives to the house of assembly, of this province, as aforesaid, and shall presume upon such choice or election to obtrude or present himself or themselves into the said house as a representative or representatives as aforesaid; he or they, shall forfeit and pay the sum of twenty pounds (over and besides the foregoing penalty, if such person or persons shall have incurred the same) for every day that he shall so obtrude or present himself or themselves, to be recovered by any person who shall sue for the same, in his majesty's court of his bench; by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, wherein no effoin, privilege, protection or wager of law shall be allowed and only one imparlance; one half of which said sum,