

Forfeitures
when to be
sued for.

XIX. And be it enacted, That all the forfeitures by this Act imposed shall be sued for within twelve months after the fact committed or the cause of action arisen, and not afterwards, either in Term time before any 5 of Her Majesty's Superior Courts of original jurisdiction, or before any other Court having jurisdiction to the amount of such forfeiture within the District wherein the fact shall have been committed, or the cause of 10 action shall have arisen, or the same shall have accrued, or in vacation before any Justice of such Court, in a summary manner, and shall also be recoverable with costs in the same manner as debts of the same value or 15 amount are recoverable in this Province by bill, suit, plaint or information.

Time within
which certain
actions may be
brought.

XX. And be it enacted, That if any action or suit shall be commenced against any person or persons for any thing done or 20 omitted to be done in pursuance of this Act, such suit or action shall be commenced within twelve calendar months next after the offence committed and not afterwards; and the defendant or defendants in such suit or 25 action may plead the general issue, and give this Act and the special matter in evidence, at any trial to be held thereupon, and that the same was done or omitted to be done in pursuance and by the authority of this Act, and 30 if it shall appear so to have been done or omitted to be done, then judgment shall be given or a verdict found for the said defendant or defendants, and if the plaintiff shall be non-suited, or shall discontinue his action 35 after the defendant or defendants shall have appeared, or if judgment shall be given against the plaintiff, the defendant may and shall recover costs and have a like remedy for the same as defendants in other cases 40 have by law.

Governor in
Council authorized to do
certain acts.

XXI. And be it enacted, That if the said Quebec Board of Examiners for Stevedores to be constituted under this Act,