

# THE ACTS

OF THE

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

&c.

Anno Tricesimo Octavo Regis GEORGII III.

1798.

At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of His Majesty's ISLAND of ST. JOHN, begun and holden at CHARLOTTE-TOWN, on the twenty-second day of March, ANNO DOMINI one thousand seven hundred and ninety, and in the thirtieth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE and IRELAND, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. and thence continued by several prorogations until the Twentieth Day of November, one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight, and in the thirty-ninth year of his said Majesty's Reign, being the seventh Session of the Sixth General Assembly, convened in the said Island:

EDMUND FANNING,  
Lt. Governor.

PETER STEWART,  
President.

JOHN STEWART,  
Speaker.

### C A P. I.

AN ACT for altering and changing the name of this Island, from ST. JOHN to that of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

WHEREAS the name of St. John, by which this Island hath hitherto been known, and called, has from long experience been frequently found to occasion much prejudice and inconvenience to Individuals, as well as to His Majesty's Service, by the mis-carriage or delay of Government Dispatches and private Letters, and even of Merchandize and Packages, sent out from England or other distant Parts, addressed to persons in this Island, by being carried through mistake, to St. Johns in Newfoundland, or St. Johns in New-Brunswick, or St. Johns on the Labrador Coast, or elsewhere; and which

Preamble.