

And be it further enacted, That every Coasting Vessel shall pay, in Lieu of the said Duty, at the Rate of *Twenty Shillings* per Annum; and no more, to be received and recovered in manner as aforesaid.

And be it further enacted, That all Monies arising by the aforesaid Duty shall be paid into the Treasury of the Province, and be applied towards the Support of the said *Light-House*; to be issued for the said Purpose, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of the Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being, of the Province; and in Case there be more Monies raised than is necessary for the Support of the said *Light-House*; the Surplusage to be applied to the Uses of the Government.

An Act for the Quieting of Possessions to the *Protestant Grantees* of the Lands formerly occupied by the *French* Inhabitants, and for preventing vexatious Actions relating to the same.

Cap. 3
 WHEREAS this Province of *Nova-Scotia* or *Accadie*, and the Property thereof, did always of Right belong to the Crown of *England*, both by Priority of Discovery and ancient Possession, and that no Grant of Property to any of the Lands or Territories belonging thereto, is of any Validity, or can give the Possessor thereof any legal Right or Title to any Part thereof, unless derived from thence.

And whereas by a Treaty of Peace concluded at *Utrecht*, in the Year of our Lord, *One Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirteen*, between her most Sacred Majesty *Ann of Glorious Memory*, Queen of *Great-Britain*, &c. And His most Christian Majesty, it was concluded and agreed on, that all *Nova-Scotia*, or *Accadie*, with its ancient Boundaries; and all other Things in those Parts which depend on the said Lands, together with the Dominion, Property, and Possession of the said Lands and Places, and all Right whatsoever by Treaties or any other Way attained, which the most Christian King, the Crown of *France*, or any other the Subjects thereof, had to the Lands and Places, and to the Inhabitants of the same, are yielded and made over to the Queen of *Great-Britain*; and to her Crown for ever.

And whereas at the Time of that Cession, many of the *French* King's Subjects did reside and dwell within this His Majesty's Province of *Nova-Scotia*, and did not remove from the same, within the Space of *Twelve Months*, according to the Limitation of that Treaty, whereby they and their Posterity became Subjects of the Crown of *Great-Britain* in every Respect; notwithstanding which, contrary to their Allegiance, they began from that Time, and continued at all Times to aid, assist, and support and join with His Majesty's Enemies; and altho' His Ma-