

## CAP. VI.

AN ACT for granting a Bounty on VESSELS engaged in the Fisheries of this Island.

[*March 1st, 1839.*]

**W**HEREAS the Fisheries are deemed of importance to this Colony, and it is thought expedient that some encouragement be given to that branch of productive industry, by granting a Bounty on all registered Vessels exclusively engaged therein: Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That from and after the First day of *May* next, a Bounty of Five Shillings *per Register Ton* shall be allowed to the fitter out of any Vessel or Vessels properly equipped and manned, and to be exclusively engaged for Three Months successively, between the First day of *May* and the Fifteenth day of *September*, in the Fisheries—the same to be fitted out and supplied by persons in this Colony: Provided always, that every such Vessel, whether engaged in the Bank, Sea Coast, or Labrador Fisheries, shall produce and land on this Island a quantity of not less than Five Quintals of Dried Codfish, or Twelve Quintals of Green Codfish, or three Barrels of Labrador Herrings, or a proportionate quantity of each description of Fish for each and every Ton such Vessel may admeasure *per Register*, and that such Vessel was not occupied during the term of Three Months prior to the period when such Fish shall be landed, or the last portion thereof, if landed at different times, in any other trade or employment than the Fishing exclusively—the same to be certified on the Oaths of the Master or Skipper, and at least one of the crew of such Vessel, who shall, on applying for such Bounty, take and subscribe the following Affidavit:

A Bounty of 5s. per Ton to be paid to the Fitter out of any Vessel, exclusively employed in the Fisheries.

Period to be so employed.

Vessel to be fitted out and supplied in the Colony.

Prescribes the quantity, &c. of Fish to be caught to entitle persons to claim bounty.

Master or Skipper, and one of the Crew, to certify on oath, before bounty is payable.