

conviction before any two Justices of the Peace for the said County—  
 And twenty pounds for a second offence to be recovered with costs by action of debt, bill, plaint or information in any Court of Record,  
 And fifty pounds for a third and every subsequent offence, to be recovered in like manner with costs, &c.  
 Penalties to be paid one half to the informer and the other half to the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish.

or place any Seine or Seines, Net or Nets, in the Bay or River Miramichi, or its Branches, except as is herein before provided for, such person or persons so offending, shall forfeit and pay the sum of *ten pounds*, upon due conviction thereof by the oath of one or more credible witnesses or witnesses, before any two of His MAJESTY's Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, to be levied by Warrant of Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattels, rendering the overplus, if any, to such Offender, and *twenty pounds* for the second offence, to be recovered with costs, by action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information in any Court of Record in this Province, and *fifty pounds* for the third and every subsequent offence, to be recovered with costs in the manner last mentioned: one half of which penalties shall, on conviction, be paid to the Informer, and the other half to the Overseers of the Poor of the Town or Parish where such offence shall be committed, to be applied to the use of the Poor.

Justices of the said County in their general Sessions, to appoint Overseers of the Fisheries for each Parish or District, who are to be sworn—and have power to remove any Net, Wear, &c. set contrary to the Provisions of this Act.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That the Justices of the Peace in the said County of Northumberland in their General Sessions, may, and are hereby required to appoint one or more fit person or persons to be Overseers of the Fisheries for each Town, Parish or District, who shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of their duty; and shall have power to remove any Net, Hedge, Wear, Fish-garth, Seine, or other Incumbrance that shall be found in any River, Cove or Creek, contrary to the provisions of this Act.

Any such Net, Wear, or other incumbrance, to be seized by the Overseers, and if not claimed in ten days, to be forfeited and sold to satisfy the penalties hereby inflicted. The overplus, if any, to be paid to the Overseers of the Poor.

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That if any Net, Hedge, Wear, Fish-garth, or other Incumbrance, or any Drift-Net shall be found in any River, Cove, or Creek, contrary to the provisions of this Act, it shall and may be lawful for such Overseers of the Fisheries, and they and each of them are hereby required respectively forthwith to seize the same, and if no Owner shall appear to claim the same within ten days, such Net, Seine, or Fish-garth shall, together with the Fish, if any found therein, be forfeited and sold by the said Overseers to satisfy the respective penalties in this Act mentioned and inflicted, and the overplus, if any, shall be paid to the Overseers of the Poor for the use of the Poor of the Town or Parish where such offence shall be committed.

Overseers to have one shilling from the proprietors of each set of Nets in their respective districts, as a compensation for their trouble.

V. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Overseers of the Fisheries shall be intitled to demand and receive *one shilling* and no more for each set of Nets to be set in the District to which they shall be respectively appointed from the proprietors of such Nets as a compensation for their trouble.

VI. *And be it further enacted*, That if any such Overseer of the Fisheries shall at any time wilfully and knowingly delay, neglect,