

person who shall detain the effects of any Emigrant after he shall have been tendered the said sum of five dollars, or such less sum as shall be actually due for board or lodging, shall on conviction thereof, incur a penalty of not less than *five* dollars, nor more than *twenty* dollars, over and above the value of the effects so detained, if not immediately restored, and a search warrant may be issued for the same. 5

Prosecutions
for penalties.

VIII. All prosecutions for penalties under this Act may be brought at the place where the offender may then be, before any Magistrate having jurisdiction in such place, at the suit of any Agent for Emigration in the employ, in this Province, of Her Majesty, and the penalties to be recovered under this Act shall be paid to the Emigration Fund; Provided, that the Magistrate before whom the same is recovered shall have the power, in his discretion, of awarding any part of the penalty to the party aggrieved by the infraction of law or breach of contract complained of, and such Magistrate may award costs against the offending parties, as in the ordinary cases of summary proceedings, and such Magistrate is also empowered to award imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months to terminate on payment of any penalty incurred under this Act. 10 15 20

Proviso.

Commence-
ment of Act.

IX. This Act shall take effect on the first day of January next, and not before.