

ces, half tierces, barrels and half barrels, each tierce to contain three hundred pounds, &c. in proportion.

Barrels containing less than twenty eight gallons to be forfeited and destroyed.

All fish shipped in casks of less size, or Salmon in casks containing less weight than hereby required, to be forfeited.

Quality of fish for European markets, and

for West-India markets.

Forfeiture for shipping un-merchantable fish.

Qualities, of merchantable boards and other lumber, to be surveyed by sworn Surveyors.

packed Tierces, Half Tierces, Barrels, and Half Barrels, which Tierces, Half Tierces, Barrels and Half Barrels, shall be made of sound seasoned wood, free from sap, sufficient to hold pickle, and shall be full bound;—each Tierce shall contain *three hundred pounds*, each Half Tierce *one hundred and fifty pounds*, each Barrel *two hundred pounds*, and each Half Barrel *one hundred pounds*, exclusive of the Salt, and shall be full of strong pickle. And all Barrels hereafter made which shall contain less than *twenty eight* gallons shall be forfeited; and on complaint and proof before any *two* of HIS MAJESTY'S Justices of the Peace for the county, the same shall be adjudged to be burnt or destroyed by a Constable of the Town or Parish where such offence shall be committed: And all Pickled Fish shipped in Barrels of a smaller size, or Salmon shipped in Tierces, Half Tierces, Barrels, or Half Barrels containing less weight shall be forfeited. PROVIDED ALWAYS, That it shall and may be lawful to export Herrings without pickle if the same are in every other respect conformable to this act.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That all Cod and Scale-Fish for exportation, shall be of the following description and qualities—viz—Fish for the European Markets shall be of the first quality, properly cured, not salt burnt nor broke, smoothly split, and perfectly sound: Fish for the West India Market, if well cured and dried, shall not be required to have the other qualities before mentioned, and no fish which have not the qualities above described shall be deemed merchantable, and all persons shipping un-merchantable fish shall on conviction forfeit *three shillings* for each Quintal so shipped by them.

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That all Boards, Plank, and Scantling for exportation, shall, before they are shipped, be surveyed by a sworn Surveyor: All merchantable Boards shall be square edged and *seven eighths* of an inch thick, except such as are for the New-Foundland and Kingston in Jamaica Markets which shall be one inch thick,—and all clear Boards shall be full inch thick: No Board or Plank shall be deemed merchantable if the same be split at both ends, or be split in any part more than *one quarter* of the length of such Board or Plank, or be not of equal thickness throughout—and a reasonable allowance shall be made to the purchaser for all splits, rents, and knot holes—all Boards and Planks shall be marked at the but end—the full contents shall be marked on each Board and Plank—*one half* of the split shall be allowed for splits, and a reasonable allowance for rents or knot-holes, which shall be deducted from the amount of such contents: And that all Scantling whether sawed or hewed shall