

An Act for regulating and maintaining a Light-House on *Sambro* Island.

HEREAS by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province, intitled An Act for erecting a Light-House at the Entrance of the Harbour of HALIFAX, made and passed at their Session begun and holden at Halifax, the Second Day of October, 1758, The Sum of One Thousand Pounds out of the Monies then in the Treasury of the Province, collected from the Duties on Spirituous Liquors, was appropriated for the erecting a Light-House on the Island commonly called and known by the Name of *SAMBRO* Outer-Island, at the Entrance of the Harbour of Halifax: And it was enacted, That untill such Light-House should be erected the Commissioners appointed for carrying the said Act into Execution, should cause a Beacon and Light to be placed on the said Island for the Benefit of Vessels coming into the said Harbour.

Be it enacted by his Excellency the Governor, Council and Assembly, and by the Authority of the same it is hereby enacted, That from and after the First Day of September next, there shall be paid by the Master of every Merchant Vessel coming into or going out of the Harbour of *Halifax*, at her going out of the said Harbour, (other than Coasters and fishing Vessels, and such Transport or other Vessels employed in His Majesty's Service as shall, by their Charter Party, be exempted from paying Port Charges) a Duty of Six Pence per Ton Currency, for so many Tons as shall appear to the Satisfaction of the Receiver, or by the Oath of the Master, (which Oath the said Receiver is hereby authorized to administer) to be the real Burthen thereof.

Provided, That all Ships or Vessels wholly belonging to any Person, that is a Freeholder and Inhabitant in the Province, shall only pay Four Pence per Ton: The said Duty to be paid before clearing the said Vessel, to such Person or Persons as shall hereafter be appointed by his Excellency the Governor for that Purpose; who are hereby authorized to demand and receive the same, and upon Refusal of Payment, to sue for and recover the said Duty before Two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or in Case the Sum shall not exceed Forty Shillings, before One Justice.

And be it further enacted, That no Vessel shall be deemed a fishing Vessel, within the meaning of this Act, excepting such as shall be wholly employed in that Business, nor shall any Vessel be deemed a Coaster, excepting such as shall be wholly employed within the Province.