

there shall be paid by the Master of every Merchant Vessel coming into or going out of the said Harbour (other than Coasters and Fishing Vessels, belonging to the Province, and such Transports or other Vessels employed in His Majesty's Service, as shall by their Charter Party be exempted from paying Port Charges) a Duty of four Pence per Ton Currency, for so many Tons as shall appear by her Register or otherwise. *Provided*, That all Ships or Vessels wholly belonging to any Person that is a Freeholder and Inhabitant in this Province, shall only pay three 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 Lientenant 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 same shall not exceed Forty Shillings, before one Justice.

All Vessels except Coasters &c. to pay a Duty of Four Pence per Ton.

Vessels belonging to Freeholders in the Province to pay only three Pence per Ton.

II. *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.

What Vessels deemed Coasters, &c.

III. *And be it further Enacted*, That every Coasting Vessel shall pay in Lieu of the said Duty at the Rate of Twenty Shillings per Annum, and one Shilling for every Ton they may measure above Twenty Tons and no more, to be received and recovered in manner as aforesaid.

Coasting Vessels to pay 20s. p. Annum and One Shilling per Ton above Twenty Tons.

IV. *And be it further Enacted*, That all Monies arising by the aforesaid Duty shall be paid into the Treasury of the Province, and be applied towards the Support of the said Light House to be issued for the said Purpose by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of the Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief for the Time being of the Province, and in Case there be more Monies than is necessary for the Support of the said Light House, the Surplus to be applied to the Uses of the Government.

Monies arising by this Act to be applied towards the Support of the Light House to be drawn by Warrant of the Governor, &c.

And Surplus if any to be applied to the Uses of the Government.

C A P. IV.

An ACT in Amendment of an Act, passed the First Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, *An Act for the repairing and mending Highways, Roads Bridges and Streets, &c.*

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 HEREAS the public Roads in many Parts of this Province are frequently rendered impassable during the Winter by the Depth of Snow and repeated Falls thereof to the great Injury

Preamble.