

XIII. No writ shall be sued out against any officer or other person authorized to seize under this chapter for anything done thereunder until one month after notice in writing, delivered to him or left at his usual place of abode by the person intending to sue out such writ, his attorney or agent; in which notice shall be contained the cause of action, the name and place of abode of the person who is to bring the action, and of his attorney or agent; and no evidence of any cause of action shall be produced except such as shall be contained in such notice.

Month's notice to officer before action.

XIV. Every such action shall be brought within three months after the cause thereof has arisen.

Limitation of action against seizing officers.

XV. If on any information or suit brought to trial under this chapter on account of any seizure, judgment shall be given for the claimant, and the Judge or Court shall certify on the record that there was a probable cause of seizure, the claimant shall not recover costs, nor shall the person who made the seizure be liable to any indictment or suit on account thereof. And if any suit or prosecution be brought against any person on account of such seizure, and judgment shall be given against him, and the Judge or Court shall certify that there was probable cause for the seizure, then the plaintiff, besides the thing seized or its value, shall not recover more than three and a half cents damages nor any costs of suit, nor shall the defendant be fined more than twenty cents.

Certificate of probable cause of seizure shall prevent the recovery of costs.

XVI. The seizing officer may within one month after notice of action received, tender amends to the party complaining, or his attorney or agent, and plead such tender.

Amends may be tendered within one month.

XVII. All actions for the recovery of penalties or forfeitures imposed by this chapter must be commenced within three years after the offence committed.

Limitation of actions for penalties, &c.

XVIII. No appeal shall be prosecuted from any decree or sentence of any Court in this province, touching any penalty or forfeiture imposed hereby, unless the inhibition be applied for and decreed within twelve months from the decree or sentence being pronounced.

Appeals, within what time to be prosecuted.

XIX. All coasting vessels under sixty tons burthen owned in this province and engaged in the coasting trade thereof, shall be furnished with a narrow piece of plank or iron affixed to the bottom of the keel and level therewith, extending aft at least six inches beyond the aperture between the stern post and rudder, and well secured on the keel. But this section shall not extend to vessels in which the main or false keel extends six inches beyond the aperture between the stern post and rudder.

Coasting vessels to have a narrow piece of plank or iron extending aft of the stern post.

XX. Any owner or master of a coasting vessel not so furnished or built, running foul of any net set off the harbors, bays

Forfeiture for destroying nets where