

vants, nor any other Person or Persons acting for, or under him, or them, respectively, shall take or receive, as a Reward for his or their Ferriage, any greater Sum or Sums of Money than is, or are herein before limited and expressed; and if any such Person or Persons shall use unnecessary delay therein, or give abusive language to, or treat with other rude Behaviour, any Person or Persons whatsoever applying to be ferried over, or during the time he, she or they may be actually ferrying over, any of the Places or Bays herein before mentioned; then the Person or Persons, so licensed as aforesaid, shall, upon proof made of such offence, by the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, before any One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, forfeit a Sum not exceeding *Twenty Shillings*; and shall be also ordered to satisfy, in Damages, all those who shall or may sustain Loss by Means of such unnecessary Delay; the said Forfeiture, and Damages, to be levied by Warrant of Distress, and Sale made of the Offender's Goods and Chattels; the one Half of such Forfeiture to be applied to and for the Use of His Majesty's said Government, and the other Half to him or them, who shall or may inform or sue for the same.

V. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful, to and for the Person or Persons, so to be licensed as aforesaid, or his or their Servant or Servants, to demand and receive Pay of all Passengers, before he, she, or they shall have entered on Board such Boat or Boats; and in default of such payment, to accept of a Pawn or Pledge for the same; nor shall such Person or Persons be required or obliged to exchange a greater sum than One Shilling, when the Fare amounts only to Six-pence; nor to exchange a greter Sum than Five Shillings, when the Fare amounts only to one Shilling.

VI. *And be it further enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, or other Commander, in Chief, from Time to Time, to establish such, and so many other Ferries, over any and such other Rivers, Bays or Creeks, not herein before mentioned, with fixed Rates for the same, as he may judge expedient and necessary; and also to grant Licenses to such, and so many Persons, under the Rules and Regulations herein before mentioned, as he shall from Time to Time, think most condusive to the Public Good.

VII. *And be it further enacted*, That where any Ferry shall have been established over any or all the Places herein before mentioned; or over any other River, Bay, or Creek, within this Island, no Person or Persons whatsoever shall carry or Ferry over the same, either Man or Beast, except by the Desire or Consent of the Person or Persons, so licensed as aforesaid, or except the same be done *gratis*.

VIII. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That this Act shall continue and be in full Force for Three Years, and no longer.

Persons licensed not to take more than the sums annexed to each Fare:

nor to suffer delay, or give abusive Language,

on pain of forfeiting Twenty Shillings.

Application of forfeiture.

Persons licensed may receive Pay from Passengers before they go on Board; and in case of their not being able to pay, a Pawn may be accepted.

Governor, &c. to establish Ferries over any other Rivers or Creeks not mentioned in this Act.

None but Ferry-men to carry Persons over after the establishment of Ferries.

Act to be continued three Years.