

" relating to the fisheries on the Banks and shores of Newfoundland,
 " and to make such further provisions as the present state and condition
 " of the colony require ; be it therefore enacted by the King's Most
 " Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords
 " Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament
 " assembled, and by the authority of the same, that the Act passed in
 " the tenth and eleventh year of the reign of His Majesty King William
 " the Third, intituled *An Act to encourage the trade to Newfoundland* ;
 " and so much of another Act passed in the fifteenth year of the reign of
 " his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled *An Act for the*
 " *encouragement of the fisheries carried on from Great Britain, Ireland,*
 " *and the British dominions in Europe, and for securing the returns of*
 " *the fishermen, sailors, and others employed in the said fisheries to the*
 " *ports thereof, at the end of the fishing season,* as relates to the masters
 " and crews of fishing ships occupying or using any vacant spaces in
 " Newfoundland, to the privilege of drying fish on the shores, to fishing
 " ships or boats not being liable to restraint or regulations with respect
 " to days or hours of working, or making entry at the Custom House,
 " to the carrying or conveying of passengers to the continent of America,
 " to agreements or contracts between hirers or employers and seamen or
 " fishermen, to the penalties on such hirers or employers advancing
 " wages, and on such seamen or fishermen absenting themselves from
 " their duty or neglecting or refusing to work, and the manner of
 " determining disputes and offences ; and also so much of another Act
 " passed in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of His said Majesty King
 " George the Third, intituled *An Act to amend and render more effectual*
 " *the several laws now in force for encouraging the fisheries carried on at*
 " *Newfoundland and parts adjacent, from Great Britain, Ireland, and*
 " *the British dominions in Europe, and for granting bounties for a*
 " *limited time, on certain terms and conditions,* as relates to the wages
 " of green men, the using of seans or nets, seamen or fishermen absent-
 " ing themselves or neglecting their duty, or deserting or intending to
 " desert ; and also so much of another Act passed in the twenty-ninth
 " year of the reign of His said Majesty George the Third, intituled *An*
 " *Act for further encouraging and regulating the Newfoundland and*
 " *Greenland and southern whale fisheries,* as relates to the privileges of
 " landing and drying fish in Newfoundland, shall be and the same are
 " hereby repealed."

SEC. 10. — " And be it further enacted, that all the fish and oil which shall be
 " taken and made by the person or persons who shall hire or employ
 " such seaman or fisherman, shall be subject and liable in the first place
 " to the payment of the wages or shares of every such seaman or
 " fisherman, and of the demands of such person or persons as shall *bona*
 " *fide* supply bait to such seaman or fisherman for the use and benefit
 " of the hirer or employer of such seaman or fisherman."

In the sections preceding the 10th, provisions were made for regulating the
 mode of hiring by contract or agreement in writing—the advance of wages during
 service—for prohibiting the discharge of the seaman or fisherman except for wilful
 neglect—for the production of the agreement by the hirer in case of dispute, &c. ;
 and, by the 11th section, are declared the penalties upon seamen and fishermen
 wilfully absenting themselves from their duty, and the course of proceeding to be