

Or defacing
marks on it.

The penalty.

or cast on shore in any part of the said Rivers, or any of them, and be saved; or shall wilfully and unlawfully, deface any mark or number on such timber, masts, spars, staves, oars, handspikes, planks or boards, boats, bateaux or scows, so saved, or make any false or counterfeit mark thereon, or shall unlawfully aid or assist in doing any such act as aforesaid, such person or persons, being duly convicted thereof, on the oath and complaint of one or more credible person or persons, before any two Justices of the Peace for any part of this Province, shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding ten pounds currency, nor less than two pounds currency, for each offence; and one moiety of such penalty shall go to Her Majesty, and the other moiety to the informer, (if any there be,) and the offender shall and may be imprisoned until such forfeiture be paid; but no such imprisonment shall for any first offence exceed one month; and if any person shall be a second time convicted of any such offence, such person may be committed to the Common Gaol of the District wherein such conviction shall be had, there to remain for and during the space of six months.

Rafts on navigable rivers, must have bright fires on them in the night.

XXIV. *And be it enacted,* That it shall be imperative on the owners or conductors of rafts, to have bright fires kept burning during the night, while afloat on any of the navigable Rivers aforesaid, on pain of being subject to pay a penalty of a sum not exceeding twenty pounds