channel or passage of fifty fathoms in width, and all the smaller channels in the said river Ristigouche to the south of the said main channel, within the aforesaid space or limits, shall in like manner be left open and clear of every kind of obstruction, whether by bar-nets, swing-nets, or otherwise; calculating twelve and a half fathoms from the deepest water on either side; making in the whole a clear passage of twenty-five fathoms, under a penalty of pounds, current money aforesaid, payable by each and every person or persons who shall lay down such bar or swing-net, or nets, or make or cause any other obstruction, as aforesaid, to be made in any of the channels in the aforesaid

river.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all stands or sets of salmon nets hereafter to be placed in the river Ristigouche, or in any other river in the aforesaid District of Gaspé, shall be placed and fixed apart at the distance of eighty rods at least, commencing at the distance of twenty-five fathoms from the west end of the first Island above the Pointe à Bourdon, commonly called and known by the name of the First North Island; and from thence downwands to the New Mission Point; nor shall any net or nets that may hereafter be placed in the said river Ristigouche, between the Pointe à Bourdon and the said First North Island and the Islands opposite thereto, extend across the said river more than one-third the distance that may be between high-water-mark and the said bar running in the middle of the said river, commonly considered as a part of the division line between the Provinces of Lower-Canada and New Brunswick, leaving the north main course of water open from Pointe à Bourdon to and at the first north Island; and also the main course of water from the south channel opposite Pointe à Bourdon open to and between the two first north Islands, the distance of twenty-five fathoms; and the north channel from above the said first north Islands upwards to the first rapids, shall be left open and free of nets or any other obstruction, one-fourth the breadth of the river; and all passages between Islands above the said first north Island, to be left open in the same proportion as herein last mentioned, of onefourth of the breadth of the passage; nor shall any set of nets, placed or fixed between Mission Point and Pointe à Bourdon inclusively, exceed one hundred and fifty fathoms in length of bar net in proportion to each and every fishing