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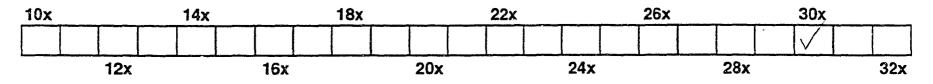
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4th Session, 3rd Parliament, 14 Victoria, 1851.

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An Act to remove all doubts as to the right of Her Majesty's subjects in Canada carrying on the Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to land and occupy for the necessary purposes thereof any unoccupied places on the North Shore or Labrador, within the limits of the Province, they may deem suitable thereto, and freely to carry on their Fisheries thereat.

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THEREAS the Whale, Seal, Cod, Mackarel, Herring, Preamble. and other Fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence are of great importance to Her Majesty's subjects in this Province, several of whom concerned in those fisheries have 5 been of late years by strong hand prevented by persons

- residing on or frequenting the Labrador or North Shore of the said Guli, from making on the coasts thereof and islands contiguous thereto, although uninhabited and waste, the temporary buildings, Try Houses, Sheds, Stages,
- 10 Flakes, and other erections necessary to the carrying on of those fisheries, some of such persons pretending that as proprietors or lessees of the Seignories or occupants of the principal posts or places established on the said coasts for the purpose of trading with the native Indians, they
- 15 have an exclusive right to the fishing, hunting, and trade with the Indians on the said coast, and in some instances. have under pretext thereof violently dispossessed persons of the temporary erections they had constructed in waste and unoccupied parts of the said coast and islands, as tres-
- 20 passers thereupon, but who nevertheless, in the lawful pursuit of such fisheries, have as British Subjects a right to land and construct such erections on the waste and unoccupied parts of the coast, not disturbing nor interfering with the previous occupants, and are entitled as pursuing an im-
- 25 portant branch of public and national industry, to every facility which, without injury to planters and those permanently settled on the coast, the various localities on the said coast and islands contiguous to the same can afford, and it therefore is expedient to declare and enact
- 30 as hereinafter it is done, Be it therefore declared and enacted, etc.

And it is hereby declared and enacted by the authority Her Majesty's of the same, that all and every Her Majesty's Subjects Subjects Carrying on or concerned in the Whale, Seal, Cod. and Certain carrying on the same in the Whale, Seal, Cod. and Certain the same in the Whale, Seal, Cod. and Certain the same in the sam 35 other fisheries in the Gulf of St. Lawrence shall peaceably Fisheries declared to

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have the right have, use, and enjoy the freedom of taking bait and of fishing in any and every River, Creek, Harbour, or Road, with liberty to go on shore on any waste and unoccupied part or parts of the Labrador or North Shore of the River and Gulf of St. Lawrence, and upon any Island or 5 Islands contiguous thereto, from Pointe des Monts, eastwardly to the easternmost limits of the Province on the Gulf Shore or Labrador, for the purpose of trying Whale or Seal Blubber, and rendering it into oil, salting, curing, and drying fish there, to cut wood for making and repair- 10 ing stages, flakes, hurdles, cook rooms and other purposes necessary for preparing their oil and fish for exportation, or that may be useful to their fishing trade, without hindrance, interruption, denial or molestation from any person or persons whomsoever. 15