

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE,

AT ITS SESSION, HELD IN JANUARY, 1831.

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PUBLISHED AGREEABLY TO THE RESOLVE OF 28TH JUNE, 1820.
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Portland.

TODD AND HOLDEN.....PRINTERS TO THE STATE.

1831.

CHAPTER DXVI.

AN ACT respecting the anchoring of vessels on the fishing grounds near the Manannas and Monhegan Islands.

SECT. 1. *BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled,* That from and after the first day of August next, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to anchor any vessel or vessels on the herring grounds so called included between a line drawn from the North point of Manannas Island to the West end of the Eastern Duck Island on the one side, and the Islands of Monhegan and Smutty Nose on the other; and if any person or persons shall offend against the provisions of this Act, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of not less than two dollars, nor more than ten dollars for each offence, to be recovered in an action of debt, in any Court of competent jurisdiction, to the use of the person who shall sue therefor; *Provided,* That no person shall be liable for the above penalty, who in consequence of stress of weather, or by any disaster may find it necessary to anchor on the said ground for safety, and who shall as soon as practicable move therefrom.

Vessels not to be anchored on the herring grounds near the Manannas and Monhegan Islands.

Penalty and how recovered.

Stress of weather sufficient excuse, if vessel is removed as soon as practicable.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That any Justice of the Peace within the County of Lincoln, is hereby empowered to issue his warrant to some inhabitant of the Island of Monhegan, directing him to notify the inhabitants thereof to meet at such time and place as he shall appoint, for the choice of a Harbour Master, and the persons so assembled, may choose by ballot some suitable person, an inhabitant of said Island, to fill such office, whose duty it shall be, to see that the provisions contained in the first section of this act shall be duly observed and enforced.

Inhabitants of Monhegan Island may elect a Harbour Master.

Election to be by ballot.

Harbour Master's duty.

[Approved by the Governor, March 30, 1831.]