

1784. wharf shall pay not exceeding the rate of one shilling and six pence per day.

SECT. XI. AND WHEREAS vessels being out of repair, or for some other reason remaining unemployed, or nearly so, frequently occupy for an unreasonable length of time, the wharves and situations best adapted for the dispatch of business, to the great hindrance and obstruction of others:

Wardens empowered to order removal of vessels, &c.

SECT. XII. *Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said Wardens, or the President or Member attending for the time being as aforesaid be, and they are hereby severally authorized and required, on application to them or him made for the removal of any such ship or vessel, to enquire into the nature and circumstances of the case, and to order such ship or vessel to be removed to such other place or situation as the owner, master, or other person having charge thereof shall choose, and the said Wardens or Warden shall approve; and in case such owner or other person shall refuse or neglect to choose such other place or situation as shall be so approved, or to make such removal of the vessel as the said Wardens or Warden shall direct, within twenty four hours after due notice given for that purpose, such owner, master, or other person having charge of such ship or vessel, shall forfeit and pay to the Collector of the duties of tonnage, the sum of five pounds per day for every day such ship or vessel shall afterwards remain unremoved as aforesaid, unless prevented by stress of weather or other reasonable cause, of which the said Wardens or Warden shall be the Judges or Judge, which forfeiture shall be recovered with costs, by action of debt or by attachment of the said ship or vessel and her appurtenances at the suit of the said Collector, as Captains or seamens wages are recoverable, and applied as herein after is directed.

SECT. XIII. AND WHEREAS inconveniences and mischiefs frequently happen for want of order and regularity in the placing, anchoring and mooring of vessels in the stream, as well as at the wharves and docks.

Wardens shall make rules, &c.

SECT. XIV. *Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful to, and for the said Wardens, or a majority of them, and they are hereby authorized and required to form and establish such rules and orders as they, on due deliberation and advisement shall from time to time think requisite and proper for guarding against such inconveniences and mischiefs, which rules and orders shall be recorded in the office of the said Wardens and shall be printed and published for the information of allwhom it may concern: And if any owner, master, or other person having the charge or command of any ship or vessel within the harbour of Philadelphia, shall wilfully or negligently disobey or refuse, or neglect to comply with such rules and orders, after due notice thereof, or neglect or refuse to comply with any reasonable order or direction of the said Wardens, or the President or attending Member thereof as aforesaid, respecting the placing, mooring or removing of such ship or vessel within the said harbour, such owner, master