## BILL.

An Act to regulate the Trade of Stevedore at the Port of Quebec.

HEREAS the magnitude and increas- Preamble ing importance of the Co ing importance of the Canada Timber Trade render it expedient that Legislative provision should be made in order to ensure 5 the better qualification of persons exercising the trade of Stevedore or Shipstower at the Port of Quebec, and the more secure and advantageous loading of the cargoes of ships at the said Port, and in order to prevent per-10 sons unskilled in the said trade of Stevedore from practising the same, to the great injury and damage of such cargoes, and the endangering of the lives of Her Majesty's subjects: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

15 And it is hereby enacted by the authority Board of exof the same, That it shall be the duty aminers apof the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade, within twenty-one days after the passing of this Act, at a meeting to be 20 called for that purpose, to constitute and appoint in that City, thirteen persons from and out of those exercising the Trade of Stevedore in the said City of Quebec, and most skilled and practically acquainted 25 with the same, to be and to be called " The Quebec Board of Examiners for Steve-"dores," whose duty it shall be to examine and test the skill and qualification of all applicants to be admitted and licensed as Steve-30 dores under the provisions of this Act: And all vacancies thereafter occurring in the said Board by death, resignation, permanent absence from the said City or otherwise, shall from time to time be filled from and out of 35 such licensed Stevedores, by votes given by ballot at a general meeting to be called to