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An Act respecting the admission into this Province of Foreign re-prints of British Copy-right Books.

WHEREAS it would be of great advantage that Preamble. Foreign re-prints of British Copy-right Books 2 should be allowed to be imported into this Province on 4 payment of a fair duty thereon, the proceeds whereof should be appropriated as equity may require: Be it 6 therefore enacted, &c.

and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that. Whenever re-8 whenever the Act or Acts of the Parliament of the United Kingdom now in force in that behalf, shall be so amended 10 as to permit the importation into this Province of Books into this wherein the copy-right shall be subsisting, first composed province, the 12 or written or printed in the United Kingdom, and printed council may or re-printed in any other Country, and with regard to integrate a duty on them, &c. 14 which the notice to the Commissioners of Customs required by such Act or Acts shall have been given, then it 16 shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to impose an ad valorem duty not exceeding twenty per centum, on any 18 such Books as aforesaid imported into this Province, and from time to time to alter the same (not exceeding in any 20 case the rate aforesaid) and from time to time to establish such regulations and conditions as may be consistent with 22 any Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom then in force, and as he may deem requisite and equitable, with 24 regard to the admission of such Books and to the distribution of the proceeds of such duty to or among the party or

26 parties beneficially interested in the copy-right; Provided Proviso. always, that no such order in Council shall impose a duty

28 on the importatation of any Book which may now be imported free from duty.

- II. And be it enacted, That the word "Book" in this Interpretation 30 Act shall include every Volume, part or division of a
- 32 Volume, Pamphlet, Sheet of Letter Press, Sheet of Music, Map, Chart, or Plan separately published.

prints of british copy-right works are admissable

clause.