

No Act of Legislature imposing Duties, whereby the Province of Upper Canada may be affected, to be valid until laid before Parliament.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, no Act of the Legislature of the Province of Lower Canada, whereby any additional or other Duties shall or may be imposed on Articles imported by Sea into the said Province of Lower Canada, and whereby the Province of Upper Canada shall or may in any respect be directly or indirectly affected, shall have the Force of Law until the same shall have been laid before the Imperial Parliament, as provided in certain Cases by the said Act passed in the Thirty-first Year of His said late Majesty's Reign, and the Royal Assent thereto published by Proclamation in the said Province of Lower Canada, a Copy of such Act having, within One Month from the Time of presenting the same for the Royal Assent in the said Province, been transmitted by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of the Province of Lower Canada, to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of the Province of Upper Canada: Provided always nevertheless, that it shall not be necessary to transmit any such Act to be laid before the Imperial Parliament, if, before the same shall have been presented for the Royal Assent within the said Province of Lower Canada, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said Province of Upper Canada shall, by Address to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of the said Province of Upper Canada, pray that their Concurrence in the Imposition of the Duties intended to be imposed by such Act may be signified to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of the said Province of Lower Canada.

Boats and other Craft belonging to His Majesty's Subjects may go from Upper Canada into Lower Canada, not laden with Foreign Productions, without being subject to any Duty.

XXX. And whereas it is expedient that the Productions of the Province of Upper Canada should be permitted to be exported without being made subject by any Act of the Province of Lower Canada, either directly or indirectly, to Duties or Impositions on their Arrival in that Province, or in passing through the Waters thereof: Be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, all and every the Boats, Scows, Rafts, Cribs, and other Craft belonging to any of His Majesty's Subjects, and coming from the Province of Upper Canada into the Province of Lower Canada, not laden with the Productions of any Foreign Country, shall be allowed freely to pass into and through the said Province, and shall not be subject to any Rate, Tax, Duty, or Imposition, other than any Charge which may now exist for Pilotage, or which may now be established for Toll at any Lock or other work now actually erected on the navigable Waters thereof; any Law, Statute, or Usage of the Province of Lower Canada to the contrary notwithstanding; and that the Expence of Improving the Navigation of the Waters of the River Saint Lawrence shall in future be defrayed by such Measures and in such Proportions as the Arbitrators to be appointed under the Provisions of this Act shall determine, upon the Prayer of either Province: Provided always, that no such Determination shall be carried into effect until sanctioned and enacted by the Legislatures of both the said Provinces.

How Expences of improving the Navigation shall be paid.

Lands held in Fief and Seigneurie may on Petition of the Owners to His Majesty, &c. be changed to the Tenure of free and common Socage.

XXXI. And whereas Doubts have been entertained whether the Tenure of Lands within the said Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada holden in Fief and Seigneurie can legally be changed: And whereas it may materially tend to the Improvement of such Lands, and to the general Advantage of the said Provinces, that such Tenures may henceforth be changed in manner herein-after mentioned: Be it therefore further enacted and declared, That if any Person or Persons holding any Lands in the