

Reign, entitled, an Act for granting to His Majesty certain Duties on Wine, Rum, and other distilled Spirituous Liquors, and Brown Sugar, for the purpose of paying the interest, and reducing the principal of the Public Debt of this Province, and every matter, clause, and thing contained in this and in all and every of the above recited Acts, and also in all such Acts as have been made in explanation, amendment, or alteration, of any or either of said Acts, shall be, and are hereby continued in force, until the thirty-first day of July, which will be in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Two.

CAP. XIV.

An Act in alteration and amendment of an Act, made in the thirty-third year of the Reign, of His present Majesty, entitled, An Act, for providing for the support His Majesty's Government by laying an additional Duty on Wine, Rum, and other Articles therein mentioned, and for encouraging the Agriculture, Fisheries, and Commerce of this Province.

*Preamble.*

*WHEREAS the duties at present payable by Law upon low priced Wines, are found too high, and in many cases amount to a prohibition; and whereas a beneficial Trade might be carried on between the inhabitants of this Province and the Azores Islands, provided the said Duties were reduced:*

*3d. hereafter to be paid on each gallon of Wine imported from the Azores or Western Islands.*

*It Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly That from and after the thirty-first day of July next, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid to his Majesty, his heirs, and Successors, for the support of the Government of this Province, upon all Wine the produce of any of the Islands called the Azores or Western Islands, which shall thereafter be imported into this Province, the rate and duty of Three-pence, and no more, upon each and every gallon of Wine, so imported and brought, which Three-pence, shall be instead and in lieu of all duties imposed by the herein recited Act, or any other Act, any thing in the said Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.*