

*Proclamation—Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie.*

Port. Now Know YE, that under and in virtue of the authority in Us vested by the said recited Act, as also of Our Royal Prerogative or otherwise howsoever, We do proclaim, declare and constitute, that upon, from and after the FIRST day of JANUARY, which will be in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, the existing Port of Entry of Sault Ste. Marie, situate on the straits of the same name between Lakes Huron and Superior, and in Our Province of Canada, shall be a Free Port, and that the said Free Port in its limits shall consist of and be co-extensive with the Town Plot of St. Mary at the Sault Ste. Marie, as surveyed by Provincial Land Surveyor, Alexander Vidal, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-six, under instructions from the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, of Our said Province, and a plan whereof is of record in the Department of Crown Lands of Our said Province. AND WE DO, in further pursuance of the authority aforesaid, proclaim, declare and define that within the limits of the said Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie, goods, wares and merchandize of every description, (except articles prohibited by law to be imported,) may be freely imported without being liable to the payment of any duties of Customs, and may be landed at the said Port for consumption or exportation, provided always that the said goods, wares and merchandize shall upon arrival be duly reported and entered at the Custom House of the said Port, and that the Importers conform in all respects to the existing Customs and Navigation Laws and other Laws of the Province in the premises, save and except the payment of duties attached to such importations into other Ports of Entry of Our Province, from the payment of which duties they are hereby relieved. And We do further proclaim, ordain and declare that the District, the limits whereof are next hereinafter defined, shall upon, from and after the said first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, be attached to the said Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie, and that the said District shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing on the North shore of Lake Huron, at the point of intersection of the principal meridian line with the waters of Lake Huron near Waddell's Mills, then southerly and westerly to the most south-easterly point of Lonely Islands, thence westerly to the most southerly point of FitzWilliam Island, thence due west to the intersection of the boundary line between Our Province and the United States of America, thence following the said boundary line northerly and westerly to the westerly boundary of Our Province, thence northerly along the westerly boundary of Our Province to the northerly boundary of Our Province, then easterly along the said northerly boundary of Our Province to the intersection of the aforesaid principal meridian line produced northerly, thence due south along the said principal meridian line and prolongation thereof to the place of beginning, and that the following Regulations and Conditions shall regulate and govern the said Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie and the District herein attached thereto, that is to say:—1. All goods, wares and merchandize which shall have been first duly imported and entered at the Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie, may go into consumption free of duty, within the District hereinbefore attached to the Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie;—2. All goods, wares and merchandize which shall be found within the limits of the said Free Port, or of the District hereinbefore attached thereto, and which shall not have been duly reported and entered at the Custom House of the said Free Port of Sault Ste. Marie, or which cannot be shewn to have been duly customed at some other Port of Entry in Our said Province, shall