

Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, I, James Douglas, have been appointed Governor of the said Colony, and have been authorized by proclamation, under the public seal of the said Colony, to make laws, institutions, and ordinances for the peace, order, and good government of the same:

And whereas the port of New Westminster is the only port of entry for goods in British Columbia—

And whereas many persons have imported goods into British Columbia across the southern boundary thereof, contrary to law:

And whereas it is expedient that all persons importing goods into British Columbia across the said boundary should be notified that such importation is contrary to law, and can be permitted only pending the completion of the communications in British Columbia:

And whereas the collection of the customs duties is rendered very expensive by the importation of goods across the southern boundary aforesaid, and it is expedient to impose a fine on such importation, to meet the additional cost of collection:

Now these are to give notice—

1. That no goods, wares, animals, or merchandize shall be imported into British Columbia which shall not have been entered at New Westminster aforesaid, unless the duties, tolls, and fines herein-after specified shall have been first paid to some duly-qualified officer of customs, and such officer shall have first granted to the importer a permit on behalf of such goods.

2. The duties and tolls aforesaid shall be as follows:—

A. The duties at present imposed by virtue of the proclamations of the second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and the twentieth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

B. For every fifty pounds weight avoirdupois of such goods, wares, or merchandize (and so in proportion for a greater or less quantity than fifty pounds weight of goods), one shilling; miners' packs, carried by the owners and not exceeding thirty pounds weight avoirdupois, for each man's load, being exempt from such duty as aforesaid.

C. For every ton of such goods, wares, or merchandize, twelve shillings.

3. In addition to the aforesaid duties and tolls, a fine equivalent to three per cent. on the market value of such goods, wares, animals, or merchandize shall be paid to such officer of customs—such market value to be calculated upon the market value of the goods, wares, animals, or merchandize at the place of collection.

4. Any person wilfully evading or attempting to evade the payment of any of the duties, tolls, or fines, aforesaid, shall be fined treble the amount of the duties, tolls, or fines, or any sum not exceeding one hundred pounds, at the discretion of the magistrate.

5. Any penalty under this Act may be recovered and enforced before any magistrate in British Columbia in a summary way.

6. This proclamation may be cited as the "Southern Boundary Act, 1860."

(L.S.) Issued under the public seal of the said Colony at Victoria, Vancouver Island, this twenty-second day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty, and in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, by me,

By his Excellency's command,

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

JAMES DOUGLAS.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

APPENDIX No. 3.

App. No. 3.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.—No. 30.

PROCLAMATION.—No. 2, A.D. 1861. By his Excellency JAMES DOUGLAS, Companion of the most Honourable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of British Columbia.

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament, held in the 21st and 22nd years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to provide for the Government of British Columbia," and by a commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, I, James Douglas, have been appointed Governor of the said Colony, and have been authorized by Proclamation under the public seal of the said Colony to make laws, institutions, and ordinances for the peace, order, and good government of the same.

And whereas, by a Proclamation issued under the public seal of the said Colony, on the 4th day of January 1860, the price of unsurveyed land acquired by purchase or pre-emption under the provisions of the said Proclamation, was stated to be at such rate as might for the time being be fixed by the Government of British Columbia, not exceeding the sum of ten shillings per acre.

And whereas, by a Proclamation issued under the public seal of the said Colony, on the 20th day of January 1860, the price of agricultural land, surveyed by the Government surveyor, which may or shall have been offered for sale at public auction and remain unsold, was fixed at ten shillings per acre, payable one-half in cash at the time of sale, and the other half at the expiration of two years from the time of sale.

And whereas I have been empowered by Her Majesty's Government to lower the price of country lands in British Columbia, in all cases, to the sum of four shillings and twopence (4s. 2d.) per acre.