

"Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions," it is, among other things, in effect enacted, that after the commencement of the said Act, the Legislature of a British Possession, by any Act or Ordinance, from time to time, may regulate the Coasting Trade of that British Possession, subject, in every case, to certain conditions mentioned in the said Act, and embodied and enacted in this Act, and that Section one hundred and sixty-three of the Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom, known as "The Customs Consolidation Act, 1853," which is in the following words: "No goods or passengers shall be carried, from one port of any British Possession in Asia, Africa, or America, to another Port of the same Possession, except in British ships," shall be repealed as from the date in the case of each British Possession, at which either an Act or an Ordinance with respect to the Coasting Trade, made within two years after the commencement of the Act first above cited, in such British Possession, comes into operation, or if there is no such Act or Ordinance, at which the said two years expire; and that the said first cited Act shall be proclaimed in every British Possession, by the Governor thereof, as soon as may be after he receives notice of the said Act, and shall come into operation in that British Possession on the day of such proclamation, which day is in the said Act referred to as the commencement thereof: And, whereas, the said Act was so proclaimed by the Governor of Canada, on the twenty-third day of October, now last past: And, whereas, it is expedient to exercise in the manner hereinafter provided, the power vested as aforesaid in the Parliament of Canada; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. No goods or passengers shall be carried by water, from one port of Canada to another, except in British ships; and if any goods or passengers are so carried, as aforesaid, contrary to this Act, the master of the ship or vessel so carrying the same, shall forfeit the sum of four hundred dollars, and any goods so carried shall be forfeited, as smuggled, and such ship or vessel may be detained by the collector of customs, at any port or place to which such goods or passengers are brought, until such penalty is paid, or security for the payment thereof given to his satisfaction, and until such goods (if any) are delivered up to him, to be dealt with as goods forfeited under the provisions of the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled: "*An Act respecting the Customs*"; and the said penalty and forfeiture may also be recovered and enforced in the manner provided by the Act last mentioned, with respect to penalties and forfeitures incurred under it, and as if imposed by it; and this Act shall accordingly be construed with reference to the said Act, and as forming one Act with it, and all words and expressions in this Act, shall have the same meaning as the like words and expressions in the said Act.

No goods or passengers to be carried coastwise, &c. in Canada except in British ships, &c., after a day to be appointed. Penalty for contravention.

2. The Governor in Council may, from time to time, declare that the foregoing provisions of this Act, shall not, while such Order

Governor in Council may declare this Act not to apply to ships of certain countries.