

No. 1.

CAP. III.

An Act to provide for the Commutation of certain Bonds required under the Emigrant Act. [Passed August, 2 1851.]

Preamble.

The master of any vessel may, instead of giving bond under section 10 of 12 Vict. c. 6, pay a sum of money, to be fixed by the emigration agent.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the commutation of the bonds required in certain cases under the Act herein-after mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that whenever any vessel arriving in this province from sea shall have on board one or more passengers in respect of whom the master would otherwise, under the tenth section of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further Provision respecting Emigrants," be bound to enter into a bond to Her Majesty in the manner therein provided, it shall be optional with the master of such vessel, either to enter into such bond, jointly and severally with sufficient sureties, according to the requirements of the said Act, or to pay to the collector or chief officer of the customs who might otherwise require such bond such sum of money as the emigrant agent at Quebec (under any general instructions he may receive from the Governor) shall have fixed in that behalf as being just and equitable, and sufficient to indemnify the province, or any municipality, village, or city, town or county, or charitable institution within the same, against the risk of expense for the care, support, and maintenance of such passenger or passengers during the then next ensuing three years; and the money so paid shall form part of the emigrant fund.

Application of sum so paid.

No. 2.

CAP. LXVIII.

An Act to amend the emigrant Act, by reducing the Tax on Emigrants coming into this Province, and for other Purposes. [Passed August 30, 1851.]

Preamble.

Rate or duty imposed by 12 Vict. c. 6. reduced.

WHEREAS it is expedient to reduce the rate of duty imposed by the Act herein-after mentioned, and otherwise to amend the said Act: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the rate or duty imposed by the second section of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's reign, and intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further Provision respecting Emigrants," shall be and is hereby reduced, so that the same shall be five shillings currency for every adult passenger or emigrant, and three shillings and nine-pence currency for every other passenger or emigrant between the ages of five and fifteen, who shall have embarked for any port in the United Kingdom under the sanction of Her Majesty's Government, ascertained as in the said Act provided, and seven shillings and sixpence currency for every passenger or emigrant who shall have embarked without such sanction; to which duties so reduced all the provisions and enactments of the said Act shall apply as fully as if such reduction had not been made.

To what purposes the monies raised under the said Act may be applied.

II. And be it declared and enacted, that it was and is the intention of the said Act that the monies raised under the authority thereof should be applied, under the authority of the Governor of this province, as well as in defraying the expenses of forwarding destitute emigrants to their place of destination, and in otherwise aiding, relieving, and providing for them, as in defraying the expenses of medical attendance and examination of destitute emigrants on their arrival; and that it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to apply any surplus which may now or shall hereafter at any time remain out of the said monies, after defraying the expenses aforesaid, in aid of any charitable institution affording relief to destitute emigrants and their children.

Commencement of Act.

III. And be it enacted, that the foregoing provisions of this Act shall have force and effect on the first day of November next, and not before.

No. 3.

An Act relating to Emigrants.

[Passed May 5, 1851.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS the laws now in force relating to emigrants will shortly expire, and it is deemed expedient to make other provisions in lieu thereof: Be it therefore enacted by the