

"the exact quantity of all the articles by me imported in the from
 " which are made subject to an Excise Duty in, and by an Act pas-
 " sed in the thirty second year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, *An*
 " *Act for the further increase of the Revenue, by raising a Duty of Excise on all*
 " *Goods, Wares and Merchandise imported into this Province* : and I do fur-
 " ther swear, that the prices annexed to each article are just and true and
 " agreeable to the first or sterling cost thereof, and that I am either the Owner
 " thereof or Consignee, who has the principal care, disposal and management
 " of the same, and I do further swear, that I have actually resided as an in-
 " habitant in this Province, for more than six months, from the date of these
 " presents, and have paid Scot and Lot therein." And if the goods so im-
 " ported, shall belong to a person not resident as aforesaid, then the person
 " producing to the Collector, the invoice thereof as aforesaid, shall only be
 " obliged to swear to such part of the said affidavit as relates to the value and
 " ownership of such goods. And all or any Goods, Wares or Merchandise
 " which shall be imported or brought within the Province as aforesaid, after the
 " publication hereof, and shall be found in the custody or possession of any per-
 " son or persons whatsoever, after the said publication, without having been en-
 " tered and accounted for as aforesaid, and the duties thereon paid or secured
 " in the manner herein after mentioned, the whole and every part thereof shall
 " be seized, forfeited, condemned, and distributed in the manner herein after
 " mentioned. *Provided always*, that in case of the absence of the importer of
 " such Goods, Wares or Merchandise, it shall and may be lawful for the princi-
 " pal Clerk or Agent of such Importer to make oath agreeable to the tenor of
 " the above affidavit..

*Goods liable to
 forfeiture if the
 above conditions
 are not complied
 with.*

*Collectors of Im-
 post and Excise
 to take an exact
 account of what
 shall be imported.
 Also take bond
 with two securi-
 ties for the quar-
 terly payment of
 this Excise Duty,
 as directed in
 Act 29th Geo. 3.*

*If importer re-
 fuses to give bond.*

*Difference to be
 adjusted by three
 merchants.*

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said Col-
 lector of Impost and Excise shall, after the Publication hereof, take an exact
 account, and ascertain the exact Value as aforesaid, of all and every of the said
 Goods, Wares or Merchandise, which shall be imported as aforesaid, within
 their several Districts, and shall ascertain by whom the same shall be owned,
 and shall take Bonds from the Owner or Importer thereof, with two good
 and sufficient Sureties, bound therein for the Payment of the said Duties of
 Excise Quarterly, in the Manner directed in and by an Act passed in the
 Twenty-ninth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, entitled, *an Act to*
provide for the Support of His Majesty's Government in this Province, by
amending and continuing the several Laws for raising a Revenue therein par-
ticularly mentioned and expressed ; and in Case the Owner or Owners, Impor-
 ter or Importers, shall refuse to give such Bond or Bonds, then it shall and
 may be lawful for the said Collector ~~or Collectors~~ of Impost and Excise to
 proceed to secure said Duties, in the Manner directed in the said herein be-
 fore last recited Act ; and in Case any Difference shall arise between the Col-
 lector of Impost and Excise, and the Owners or Importers of any of the
 said enumerated Articles as to the Quantity, Quality or Value thereof, such
 Difference shall be settled by three Merchants mutually to be chosen by the said
 Collectors.