

LXXIV. And be it enacted, That any copy of an order of the Governor in Council made in any special matter and not being a general regulation, certified as a true copy of such order by the Clerk of the Executive Council or his Deputy, shall be evidence of such order to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

Certain Copies of orders in Council to be evidence.

LXXV. And be it enacted, That all bonds and securities, of what kind and nature soever, authorized to be taken by virtue or under the authority of this or any Act relating to Customs, Trade or Navigation, shall be taken by the Collector or principal officer of the Customs at the place where the same is to be taken, and to and for the use and benefit of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors; and such bonds shall be taken before the delivery of any goods, wares, merchandize, vessel, carriage or vehicle, horses or cattle, of any kind or description whatsoever, and before the performance of any act or matter with regard to which the taking of any such bond or bonds shall be required; and all such bonds and securities shall be, as nearly as practicable, uniform; and printed or lithographed forms thereof kept in each and every office of Customs throughout the Province.

By whom bonds shall be taken to H. M.'s use.

To be given prior to the delivering, &c. of the goods.

Forms to be kept in all certain offices.

LXXVI. And be it enacted, That all forms and papers necessary for the transaction of any business at the respective Custom Houses or places or ports of entry in this Province, shall henceforth be printed uniformly, and supplied by the proper officer to all such Collectors or other officers as may be in charge of any Custom House, and other officers of Customs at any port or place of entry within the Province, for the use of persons transacting Customs business thereat.

Blank forms of papers to be kept at Custom Houses.

LXXVII. And be it enacted, That although any duty of Customs shall have been overpaid, or although after any duty of Customs have been charged and paid, it shall appear or be judicially established that the same had been charged under an erroneous construction of the law, it shall not be lawful to return any such overcharge after the expiration of three years from the date of such payment.

Duties overpaid not returnable after three years, tho' wrongly paid.

LXXVIII. And be it enacted, That whenever on the levying of any duty, or for any other purpose, it shall become necessary to determine the precise time of the importation or exportation of any goods, or of the arrival or departure of any vessel, such importation, if made by sea, coastwise, or by inland navigation in any decked vessel, shall be deemed to have been completed from the time the vessel in which such goods shall be imported, came within the limits of the port at which they ought to be reported, and if made by land, or by inland navigation in any undecked vessel, then from the time such goods were brought within the limits of this Province; And the exportation of any goods shall be deemed to have been completed from the time of the legal shipment of such goods for exportation, after due entry outwards, in any decked vessel, or from the time the goods shall have been carried beyond the limits of the Province, if the exportation be by land or in any undecked vessel; and the time of the arrival of any vessel shall be deemed to be the time at which the report of such vessel shall be or ought to have been made, and the time of the departure of any vessel to be the time of the last clearance of such vessel on the voyage for which she departed.

Time of importation, &c. defined.

And of exportation.

And of arrival and departure of vessels.

LXXIX. And in order to avoid the frequent use of numerous terms and expressions in this Act and in other Acts relating to the Customs or to Trade or to Navigation, and to prevent misconstruction of the terms and expressions used therein; Be it enacted, That

Interpretation clause.