At the general assembly of the province of Nova-Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday, the thirty-first day of January, 1856, in the nineteenth year of the reign of our sovereign lady Victoria, by the grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, queen, defender of the faith, &c. &c. &c. being the first session of the twenty-first general assembly convened in the said province.\*

\* In the time of his excellency Sir John Gaspard LeMarchant, lieutenantgovernor; Michael Tobin, president of the legislative council; Stewart Campbell, speaker of the assembly; Lewis Morris Wilkins, provincial secretary; and Alexander James, clerk of assembly.

## CHAPTER 1.

An Act to continue and amend the Laws imposing Customs Duties.

(Passed the 31st day of March, 1856.)

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- 1. Chapter 12 revised statutes continued as amended.

3. Alterations of duties. 4. Repeal of part of section 2.

2. Articles duty free.

Be it enacted by the governor, council, and assembly, as follows:

Chapter twelve, of the revised statutes "Of customs du- Cap. 12 re. stat. ties," as amended by chapter two of the acts of one thousand eight continued as hundred and fifty-two, entitled, "an act to continue and amend the revenue laws," and also, as amended by chapter nine of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, entitled, "an act to continue and further amend the laws imposing customs duties," and also as amended by chapter three of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, entitled, "an act to continue and alter the laws imposing customs duties," and also as hereinafter further amended, is hereby continued, together with those amendments respectively, until the first day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven.

Hay and straw, pilot bread, and engravings, shall be ad-Articles duty

mitted into this province duty free.

Upper leather shall pay an advalorem duty of ten per cent; Alterations of machinery of all kinds of copper or iron for mills, steamboats, and duties. manufactories, and sheathing of muntz metal, shall pay a duty of two and a half per cent.; and fine biscuit and bread, including crackers and cakes, shall pay a duty of three shillings and four pence per hundred weight.

Note.—Michael Tobin having, during the session, resigned his seat as president of the legislative council, Edward Kenny was appointed president, provisionally