


At the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the Province of *Nova Scotia*, begun and holden at *Halifax*, on the Sixth Day of *June*, Anno Domini 1770, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the First Session of the Fifth GENERAL ASSEMBLY convened in the said Province;

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An Act for granting to His Majesty an Excise on Tea, Coffee, and Playing Cards, sold within or brought into this Province.

 *HERE AS* the several Duties already granted to His Majesty are found insufficient to discharge the several Sums due by Government;

Preamble.

I. *Be it Enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly*, That there shall be granted unto His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, the several Duties of Excise hereafter mentioned: *And be it Enacted*, That after Six Days from the Publication of this Act, there shall be paid on all Green Tea, Bohea Tea, Coffee, and Playing Cards, sold or by any Ways or Means brought into this Province, the several Rates and Duties of Excise following, *viz.*

Excise on Teas,
Coffee, & Playing
Cards.

For every Pound of Green Tea, Two Shillings and Sixpence.

Green Tea 2s. 6d.
per lb.

For every Pound of Bohea Tea, One Shilling.

Bohea Tea 1s. per
lb.

For every Pound of Coffee, Fourpence.

Coffee 4d. per lb.

And for every Pack of Playing Cards, One Shilling.

Playing Cards 1s.
per Pack.

II. *And be it also Enacted*, That all Merchants and other Persons whatsoever, having in their Possession any Green Tea, Bohea Tea, Coffee, or Playing Cards, shall on or before the Time herein aforementioned, deliver to the Collector or Receiver, or Collectors or Receivers of the Excise Duties for the Time being,

Merchants, &c. hav-
ing in their Posses-
sion any Teas, Coffee
or Playing Cards
for Sale, to deliver
an Account thereof
to the Collector af-