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Passing Events.

History will be furnished with abundance of interesting material collated from the principal occurrences of the year now drawing to a close. Even the few remaining weeks of 1866 are "big with fate," and may give birth to events that will change the destinies of nations and empires.

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British Columbia Mining News.

The weather during the past few days has been very unfavorable for the miners. Since Thursday, we have had snow storms almost every day with heavy frosts at night, which gives everything a wintry appearance.

share clear of expenses. The Full Rigg Co. are reported to have washed out yesterday over 100 ozs.; this claim joins the Discovery. We have been unable this week to hear from the claims further up the creek.

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CEDAR CREEK.

From a gentleman who left this creek last Thursday, we are informed that the Aurora had cleaned up for the week ending 14th inst. 128 ounces.

Sandwich Islands.

From a letter just received per Eldridge from Honolulu, bearing date September 17th, we glean the following items: Capt. R. R. Baby, of the P. M. S. Co., is in Honolulu, making arrangements for the accommodation of the Chinese iron steamers, which are to touch there going and coming.

British Columbia Tariff.

WHEREAS it is expedient in some respects to alter the duties of customs as now by law established in British Columbia, and to make further provision for the levying thereof;

Be it enacted by the Governor of British Columbia, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

I. From and after the passing of this Ordinance, the duties of customs hitherto chargeable on goods, animals, and articles imported into and landed in British Columbia, shall be and are hereby repealed.

II. In lieu thereof, from and after the passing of this Ordinance, there shall be levied assessed, collected, and paid to the use of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors:

a. Upon all goods, wares, merchandise, animals, and things imported into and landed in British Columbia, and more particularly mentioned in Schedule A. hereto, and according to the value thereof, the several ad valorem duties in such Schedule set opposite the respective articles therein named.

b. And (in addition to the ad valorem duties leviable on certain of the same articles) upon all goods, wares, merchandise, animals, and things imported into and landed in British Columbia, the several specific duties of customs more particularly mentioned in Schedule B. hereto, and set opposite the respective articles therein named.

c. And so long as the Proclamation made and passed on the 10th day of December, A. D. 1869, is in force, and the dues thereby leviable shall be levied upon wares, goods, and merchandise transported from New Westminster to any place in British Columbia, there shall be so levied, collected, and paid as aforesaid upon every ton of wares, goods, and merchandise imported into the Colony by way of the Southern Boundary, the sum of twelve shillings, and so on for a greater or less quantity; and on cattle, horses, mules, and asses so imported by way of the Southern Boundary, the sum of two shillings and one penny per head beyond the specific duties charged on animals in Schedule B. hereto.

d. The articles mentioned in Schedule C. hereto shall be admitted into British Columbia free of duty.

III. With the bill of entry of any goods, there shall be produced to the collector of customs an invoice of the goods, and the bill of entry shall also contain a statement of the value for duty of the goods therein mentioned, and shall be signed by the person making the entry, and verified if required by his declaration to the truth thereof, and no entry shall be deemed perfect unless a sufficient invoice of the goods to be entered has been produced to the collector.

IV. If any person passes or attempts to pass through the custom-house any false or fraudulent invoice, or makes out or passes, or attempts to pass a bill of entry of any goods at a value below the fair market value of such goods in the country from which such goods were last directly shipped or exported, or in any way, by under-valuation or otherwise, attempts to defraud the revenue of any part of the duty on any goods or things liable thereto, every such person shall on conviction (in addition to any other penalty or forfeiture to which he may be subject for such offence) be liable to a penalty not exceeding £100, and the goods so undervalued shall be and are taken and deemed to be forfeited.

V. And inasmuch as it is expedient to make such provisions for the valuation of goods subject to ad valorem duties as may protect the revenue and the fair trader against fraud by the undervaluation of any such goods, therefore the Governor may from time to time, and when he deems it expedient, appoint fit and proper persons to be appraisers of goods at the port of entry; every such appraiser shall before acting as such take and subscribe the following oath of office before some justice of the peace for this Colony, and deliver the same to the collector. Every such appraisement shall be final.

I, A. B., having been appointed an appraiser of goods, wares, and merchandise, and to act as much at the port of (or as the case may be) do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully perform the duties of the said office, without partiality, fear, favour, or affection, and that I will appraise the value of all goods submitted to my appraisement, according to the true intent and meaning of the laws imposing duties of customs in this Colony; and that I will use my best endeavours to prevent all fraud, subterfuge, or evasion of the said laws, and more especially to detect, expose, and frustrate all attempts to undervalue any goods, wares, or merchandise on which any duty is chargeable. So help me God.

A. B. Appraiser for (as the case may be). Sworn before me, this day of 1866.

J. P. for (as the case may be).

VI. If no appraiser is appointed to any port of entry, the collector there shall act as appraiser; but without taking any special oath of office as such; and the Governor may at any time direct any appraiser to attend at any port or place, for the purpose of valuing any goods, or of acting as appraiser there during any time, which such appraiser shall accordingly do without taking any new oath of office, and every appraiser shall be deemed an officer of the customs.

VII. In all cases where any duty on any goods or things imported into this Colony according to the value of such goods, such value shall be understood to be the fair market value thereof in the principal markets of the country whence the same was last shipped or exported direct to this Colony, and the collector and appraiser shall, by all reasonable ways and means in their power, ascertain the fair value of such goods as aforesaid, and estimate the value for duty accordingly.

have all the powers and authorities for the collection, recovery and management thereof as are under or by virtue of the said Customs Consolidation Acts, or either of them, or this or any other Act, Ordinance, or Proclamation, vested in the said collector for the collection, recovery and management of duties of customs, and all other powers and authorities requisite for levying the said duties.

X. This Ordinance shall be cited as "The Customs Amendment Ordinance, 1865." Passed the Legislative Council this 15th day of February, A. D. 1865.

CHAS. GOOD, Arthur N. Birch, Clerk. Presiding Member. Assented to, in Her Majesty's name, this Fifteenth day of February, 1865. FREDRICK SEYMOUR, Governor.

SCHEDULE A.

AD VALOREM CUSTOMS DUTIES.

Table with columns for goods and their respective ad valorem duties. Includes items like Ale and Porter, Axes, Bacon, Barley, Beans, Beef, Butter, Candles, Champagne, Cheese, Chocolate, Cloves, Coffee, Cotton, Drugs, Fish, Flour, Fruits, Glass, Groceries, Gunpowder, Hardware, Iron, Lead, Lard, Leather, Lime, Malt, Nails, Nutmegs, Oils, Potatoes, Raisins, Salt, Soap, Spices, Sugar, Tea, Tobacco, Wine, and various other commodities.

SCHEDULE B.

AD VALOREM AND SPECIFIC.

Table listing specific duties on various goods. Includes Spirits and Distilled Liquors, Sykes hydrometer, Chinese Medicated Wine, and various other items with their specific duty rates.

SCHEDULE C.

ARTICLES FREE OF DUTY.

All materials required for ship or boat building, all kinds of Machinery, Pig Iron, Agricultural Implements, Coin, Fresh Fish, Fruit, Poultry alive or dead, Seeds and bulbs, and roots of plants to be used in agriculture and not as Food, Coals, Eggs, Hay, Salt, Lumber, empty Gunny Sacks, Printed and Manuscript Books and Papers, Baggage and Apparatus, Household Furniture which has been in use, belonging to and arriving with bona fide immigrants, and professional apparatus of passengers. And also all goods, animals, and articles whatsoever, imported for the public service, or uses of the Colony of British Columbia, or for the use of Her Majesty's Land or Sea Forces, or of any person holding any command or appointment in Her Majesty's forces aforesaid: Provided always that all articles so excepted from duty as above mentioned, are the property of passengers and officers, for use, and not for making a profit by the sale thereof.

BRITISH COLUMBIA TARIFF.—We publish this morning the British Customs Act, which will come into operation immediately upon Union being proclaimed by Gov. Seymour. It will be found of service to business men who should preserve a copy.

THE INTERCOLONIAL RIFLE MATCH.—The return match will come off on Thursday. The New Westminster Ten will arrive tomorrow evening on the Enterprise; the Hudson Bay Company having generously tendered a free passage to the members.

MAMMOTH PIGS.—The Sir James Douglas brought down several mammoth pigs yesterday from Comox; they are said to be among the largest yet raised in this Colony.

AT LAST.—"Tardy Justice" is at length to be done to the troubled Empire of Mexico, and Maximilian and the French troops will now, it is said, positively withdraw.

TELEGRAPHIC.—Our budget of news received last night by telegraph will be found more than usually interesting.

A Washington correspondent says that when the President, in one of his recent speeches, proposed a non-interference, who made him your President? A wicked, wicked constructionist in the crowd responded "Booth."

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