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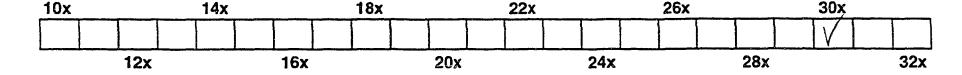
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An Act to amend the law relative to Duties of Customs.

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An Act to amend the law relative to Duties of Customs.

THEREAS it is expedient to amend Preamble. the law relative to Duties of Customs, and for that purpose to repeal the 4 Act and enactments hereinafter mentioned: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

6 And it is hereby enacted by the authority Act 10 & 11 of the same, That the Act passed in the ses-parts of c. 31 of the same of c. 31

Her Majosty's Reign, and intituled, An Act 10 to amend an error in the Act of the present

Session, imposing Duties of Customs, and 12 the third and fifteenth sections of the Act

passed in the said Session, and intituled, 14 An Act for repealing and consolidating the

present Duties of Customs in this Province,

16 and for other purposes therein mentioned, and the Schedule to the said Act annexed.

18 containing the Table of Duties of Customs inwards and Table of Exemptions and list

20 of articles prohibited to be imported, and so much of any other part of the Act last men-

22 tioned or of any other Act or law, as shall be inconsistent with this Act, shall be, and

24 the said Act, Schedule and enactments are hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs imposed by

28 the Act last above mentioned, and of all other Duties of Customs upon Goods, Wares and

30 Merchandize imported into this Province, there shall be raised, levied, collected and

32 paid unto Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, upon Goods, Wares and Merchandize

34 imported into this Province, or taken out of warehouse for consumption therein, the

36 several Duties of Customs respectively inserted, described and set forth in the Table

38 in the Schedule to this Act annexed, intituled, "Table of Duties of Customs in-

40 wards;" and that the articles enumerated or

Session re-

New Duties imposed instead of those levied under iO & 11 V. c. 31. Exemptions:

Prohibitions.

Proviso as to exemption of uncnumerated articles by the Governor in Council.

mentioned in the Table in the said Schedule. intituled, "Table of Exemptions," may be 2 imported without payment of any duty under this Act and the Act last above mentioned; and that the articles enumerated or mentioned in the Table in the said Schedule. intituled, "Table of Prohibitions," shall not be imported into this Province, under a the penalty therein mentioned, and if imported shall be forfeited: Provided always, 10 that the Governor in Council may by any regulation to be from time to time made in 12 that behalf, exempt from duty any article subjected in the Table first above mentioned, 14 to an ad valorem duty only as being unenumerated in the said Table; and from the 16 day on which such regulation shall be therein appointed to take effect, (not being 18 less than one month from the date thereof), and while such regulation shall remain in 20 force, such article shall be exempt from duty accordingly. 22

As to unenumerated articles bearing a similitude to articles enumerated.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That there shall be raised, levied, collected 24 and paid on each and every non-enumerated article which bears a similitude either in 26 material, quality or the use to which it may applied, to any enumerated article 28 chargeable with duty, the same rate of duty which is charged on the enumerated article 30 which it most resembles in any of the particulars before mentioned; and if any non-32 enumerated article equally resembles two or more enumerated articles on which dif-34 ferent rates of duty are chargeable, the duty on such non-enumerated article shall be the 36 same as that on the enumerated article which it resembles, paying the highest duty; 38 and on all articles manufactured from two or more materials, the duty shall be that 40 charged on the article (if there be a difference of duty) which is charged with the 42 highest duty: and the packages in which goods are contained shall be deemed goods 44 within the meaning of this Act and of the Act hereby amended, and shall be subject 46 to duty accordingly.

Packages to be deemed goods.

IV. And inasmuch as the duties hereby Recital. 2 imposed are chiefly ad valorem duties, and it is expedient to make such provisions for 4 the valuation of goods subject to the same, as may protect the revenue and the fair 6 trader against fraud by the undervaluation of any such goods;—Be it therefore enacted, 8 That it shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province, from time to time, and when 10 he shall deem it expedient, to appoint fit and proper persons to be Appraisers of 12 Goods, Wares and Merchandize, and to act as such respectively, at such Forts of entry 14 and places as shall be designated by the Governor; and each such Appraiser shall, 16 before he shall act as such, take and subscribe the following oath of office before 18 some Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction where the oath is taken, and shall de-20 liver the same to the Collector at the Port or place, or at one of the Ports or places

Appraisers to be appointed.

They shall take any oath of office.

"I, A. B., having been appointed an Ap- The oath. 24 " praiser of Goods, Wares and Merchandize, " and to act as such at the Port of 26 " (or, as the case may be), do solemnly swear "that I will faithfully perform the duties of 28 "the said office, without partiality, fear, " favor or affection, and that I will appraise 30 " the value of all Goods, Wares and Mer-"chandize submitted to my appraisement, 32" according to the true intent and meaning " of the laws imposing duties of Customs in 34" this Province, and that I will use my best " endeavours to prevent all fraud, subter-36 "fuge or evasion of the said laws, and more " especially to detect, expose and frustrate 38 " all attempts to undervalue any Goods, "Wares or Merchandize on which any duty 40 " is chargeable: So help me God."

22 where he shall be appointed to act:

A. B. Appraiser for (as the case may be).

"Sworn before me, this " of 18

day

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

Collector to act where there is no Appraiser.

Proviso: Appraisers may be sent to any Port to appraise goods.

and if no appraiser be appointed at any Port of entry, the Collector there shall act 2 as Appraiser, but without taking any special oath of office as such; Provided always, 4 that it shall always be lawful for the Governor to direct any Appraiser to attend at any 6 Port or place for the purpose of valuing any goods, or of acting as Appraiser there 8 during any time, which such Appraiser shall accordingly do without taking any new oath 10 of office; and each Appraiser shall be deemed an Officer of the Customs.

To be Officers of the Customs.

What shall be the value for duty, and how calculated.

V. And be it enacted, That in all cases where any duty is or shall be imposed on 14 any goods, imported into this Province. ad valorem or according to the value thereof, 16 such value shall be understood to be the actual value thereof in the principal markets 18 in the country where the same were purchased and whence they were exported 20 to this Province, or if such goods were purchased in one country and exported to 22 this Province from another country, then in the principal markets of the country 24 whence they were exported to this Province; And it shall be the duty of each and 26 every appraiser and of every collector when acting as such, by all reasonable ways and 28 means in his power, to ascertain, estimate and appraise the true and actual market value and 30 wholesale price as aforesaid, of any goods to be appraised by him, any invoice or af-32 fidavit to the contrary notwithstanding, in order to estimate and ascertain the value upon which duty is to be charged as aforesaid.

Duty of Appraisers.

VI. And be it enacted, That except only

2 in cases where it shall be otherwise provided by regulation of the Governor in Council, 4 no entry shall be deemed perfect unless a sufficient invoice of the goods to be entered, 6 attested as hereinafter required, shall have been produced to the collector; nor shall 8 any goods be entered by bill of sight, notwithstanding any thing in the thirteenth 10 Section or any other part of the Act hereby amended, unless in addition to the deposit of 12 money required by the said Section, the person to whom such goods shall be deli-14 vered, shall take the oath in such case provided in the Schedule to this Act, and shall 16 jointly and severally with one or more sureties, give bond to the satisfaction of the 18 collector, to produce a sufficient invoice of such goods attested in the manner required 20 by this Act, and to make perfect entry thereof, and to pay any deficiency of duty 22 thereon, within a time to be appointed by the collector, but this shall not exempt such 24 person from compliance with all the requirements of the said Act, nor prevent the sum 26 of money by him deposited from being dealt with in the manner provided by the said 28 Section, if perfect entry be not made within the time so appointed as aforesaid.

Except in certain cases, no entry shall be perfect without the production of an Invoice: bond to be given for pro-ducing one, on landing goods by bill of sight:

30 VII. And be it enacted, That with the Invoice to be Bill of entry of any goods there shall 34 be produced and delivered to and left with owner of the

attested on oath by the goods.

the collector an Invoice of such goods, attested by the oath of the owner, and 2 not the person entering if the owner be such goods, then verified also by the oath of the importer or consignee, or other person who may under this Act lawfully make such entry and verify such Invoice, in the Form of oath. form or to the effect of the oath or oaths 8 provided for the case in the Schedule B to this Act annexed, which oath or oaths shall 10 be written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on such Invoice, or on the 12 Bill of Entry (as the case may be) or shall be annexed thereto, and shall in either 14 case distinctly refer to such Invoice so that there can be no doubt as to its being the 16 Invoice to which such oath is intended to apply, and shall be subscribed by the party 18 making it and certified by the signature of the person before whom it shall have been 20 made; and the Bill of entry shall also contain a statement of the value for duty of the 22 goods therein mentioned, and shall be signed by the person making the Entry, and shall 24 be verified in the form or to the effect of the oath provided for the case in the said Sche-26 dule B.

Bill of entry to mention the value for duty and to be attested.

Party entering may add to the value by the Invoice so as to give the true value for duty.

VIII. And be it enacted, That in any such 28 Bill of Entry as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the person making the same, to add such 30 sum to the value and charges stated in the Invoice, as shall be sufficient to make the value 32 for duty such as it ought to be under the provisions of this Act, and such value shall 34 then, for the purposes of this Act, stand in stead of the value as it would appear by the 36 Invoice: and no evidence of the value of any goods imported into this Province, or taken 38 out of warehouse for consumption therein, at the place whence and the time when un-40 der this Act they are to be deemed to have been exported to this Province, contradic-42 tory to or at variance with the value stated in the Invoice produced to the Collector, 44 with the additions (if any) made to such value by the Bill of Entry, shall be received 46 in any Court in this Province, on the part of any party except the Crown,

IX. And be it enacted, That if the Owner, 2 Importer or Consignee of any goods be dead, or a Bankrupt or Insolvent, or if for 4 any cause his personal estate be administered by another person, then his Executor, Cura-6 tor, Administrator or Assignee, or person administering as aforesaid, may, if cognizant 8 of the facts, take any oath and make any entry which such Owner, Importer or Con-10 signee might otherwise have taken or made.

Provision for the death &c. of the owner. importer, &c.

X. And be it enacted, That if there be 12 more than one Owner, Importer or Consignee of any goods, any one of them cognizant of than one 14 the facts, may take the oath required by this Act, and such oath shall be sufficient, unless 16 the goods shall not have been obtained by purchase in the ordinary way, and some 18 owner resident out of this Province shall be the manufacturer or producer of the goods, 20 or concerned in the manufacture or production thereof, in which case the oath of 22 such nonresident owner (or of one of them if there be more than one) cognizant of the 24 facts, shall be requisite to the due attestation of the Invoice.

As to any case where there may be more ownerofgoods.

26 XI. And be it enacted, That the oath required by this Act may be made in this 28 Province before the Collector at the Port where the goods are entered, or if the per-30 son making such oath be not resident there. then before the Collector of some other 32 Port; and when such oath is required to be made out of the limits of this Province, it may 34 be made at any place within the dominions of Her Majesty, before the Collector or be-36 fore the Mayor or other Chief Municipal Officer of the place where the goods shall 38 be shipped, and at any place out of the dominions of Her Majesty, before the British 40 Consul at such place, or if there be no such Consul, then before some one of the princi-

42 pal merchants at such place, not interested in the goods in question: Provided always,

44 that the Governor in Council may from time

to time by Regulation appoint or designate

Before whom the attestation of Invoices or Bills of entry may be made.

Proviso: Governor may appoint other persons; or re-lax provisions 46 such other and additional persons, officers as to oaths,

or functionaries as he shall see fit, by name or by their name of office, and in this Province 2 or out of it, and within or beyond Her Majesty's dominions, as those before whom such 4 oath, may be validly taken, and may by any Order in Council relax or dispense with 6 the provisions of this Act touching such oath, in or with regard to goods imported 8 by land or inland navigation, or to any other class of cases to be designated in such 10 Regulation.

The provisions of this Act not to apply to owners out of this Province, during certain, periods. XII. And be it enacted, That no pro-12 vision of this Act requiring the owner of any goods to take any oath, shall apply 14 during the months next after the passing thereof, to any such owner 16 resident out of this Province, nor during the months next after the 18 passing thereof to any owner resident in the United Kingdom or in any place equally 20

distant from this Province, nor during the months next after 22 the passing thereof to any owner resident

at any place more distant from this Pro-24 vince than the said United Kingdom.

Power of any appraiser or collector to examine parties on oath, &c.

XIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be 26 lawful for any appraiser, or for any collector acting as such, (or for the merchants to 28 be selected as hereinafter mentioned, to examine and appraise any goods, if the im-30 porter, owner, consignee or agent be dissatisfied with the first appraisement) to call 32 before him or them and examine upon oath any owner, importer, consignee or 34 other person, touching any matter or thing which such appraiser or collector 36 may deem material in ascertaining the true value of any goods imported, and 38 to require the production on oath of any letters, accounts, invoices or other papers 40 in his possession relating to the same; and if any person so called shall neglect or re-42 fuse to attend, or shall decline to answer, or shall refuse to answer in writing (if re-44 quired) to any interrogatories or to subscribe his name to his deposition or answer, or to 46

Penalty for refusing to attend, &c.

produce any such papers as aforesaid when 2 required so to do, he shall thereby incur a penalty of twelve pounds ten shillings, and if £12 10s. 4 such person be the owner, importer or consignee of the goods in question, the appraise-6 ment which the appraiser or collector acting as such shall make thereof, shall be final and 8 conclusive; and if any person shall wilfully swear falsely in any such examination, and ovidence. 10 he be the owner, importer or consignee of the goods in question, they shall be forfeited; and Depositions to 12 all depositions or testimony in writing taken under this section, shall be fyled in the of-14 fice of the collector at the place where the same shall be made or taken, there to re-16 main for future use or reference, subject nevertheless to the order of the Inspector 18 General.

Penalty for wilfully false

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, Proviso: im-20 that if the importer, owner, consignee or agent, having complied with the require-22 ments of this Actand of the act hereby amended, shall be dissatisfied with the 24 appraisement made as aforesaid of any such goods, he may forthwith give notice 26 in writing to the collector of such dissatisfaction, on the receipt of which notice the 28 collector shall select two discreet and experienced merchants, subjects of Her Ma-30 jesty, and familiar with the character and value of the goods in question, to examine 32 and appraise the same, agreeably to the foregoing provisions, and if they shall dis-34 agree, the collector shall decide between them; and the appraisement thus made shall 36 be final and conclusive, and the duty shall be levied accordingly: And the said mer-38 chants shall each be entitled to the sum of twenty five shillings, to be paid by the party 40 dissatisfied with the former appraisement if the value ascertained by the second ap-42 praise shall be equal to or greater than that ascertained by such former appraisement, 44 otherwise the same shall be paid by the collector out of any public monies in his hands 46 and charged in his accounts: and any mer-

chant who shall be chosen to make any ap-

appealfrom appraisement Proviso: penalty where the appraised value shall exceed that in the Bill of entry by 20 per cent.

Proviso: appraised value never to be less than that in Bill of entry.

Collector may take the duty in kind.

Mode of taking the same, &c.

praisement required under this Act, and who shall after due notice of such choice has 2 been given to him in writing, decline or - neglect to make such appraisement, shall for so refusing or neglecting incur a penalty of ten pounds and costs: Provided also, that where the actual value for duty of any goods appraised, estimated and ascertained as aforesaid, shall exceed by twenty per centum or more the value for duty as it would appear 10 by the invoice and bill of entry thereof, then in addition to the duty otherwise payable 12. on such goods when properly valued, there shall be levied and collected upon the same 14 a further duty equal to one half the duty so otherwise payable: and provided further, 16 that the value of any goods for duty shall never be appraised at less than the value 18 for duty as it would appear by the invoice and Bill of entry. 20

XV. And be it enacted, That it shall always be lawful for the collector, when he 22 shall deem it advisable in order to protect the revenue and the fair trader from fraud 24 by undervaluation, and where the same is practicable, and subject always to such Re- 26 gulations as may be made by the Governor in Council, to take the amount of the duty 28 chargeable on any article on which an ad valorem duty is payable (after deducting 30 one eleventh of the duty) in the article itself, taking any specific duty at the rate at 32 which the article shall be valued for duty by the owner, importer, agent or consignee; 34 (that is to say, if the duty after such deduction, be ten per cent ad valorem, he may 36 take one tenth of such goods,) and if there be any specific duty thereon, he may also 38 take such quantity of the said goods as at the value last aforesaid shall be equivalent 40 to the amount of such specific duty after deducting one eleventh as aforesaid; and 42 out of any number of packages or quantities in the same invoice or bill of entry, the 44 collector may take his choice at the rates therein assigned to such articles respect-46 ively: and such goods so taken shall be sold or dealt with in such manner as shall be

provided by regulation of the Governor in 2 Council.

XVI. And be it enacted, That it shall Collector may 4 always be lawful for the Collector, when he shall deem it expedient for the protection value assigned 6 of the Revenue, and of the fair Trader, Entry, and and subject always, to any regulations to be charges. 8 made by the Governor in Council in that behalf, to detain and cause to be properly 10 secured, and at any time within fifteen days to declare his option to take, and to take for 12 the Crown, any whole package or packages, or separate and distinct parcel or parcels, 14 or the whole of the goods mentioned in any Bill of Entry, and to pay, when thereunto 16 requested, to the owner or person entering the same, and out of any public monies in 18 the hands of such Collector, the sum at which such goods, packages or parcels, 20 shall be respectively valued for duty in the Bill of Entry, and the fair freight and char-22 ges thereon to the port of entry, and to take a receipt for such sum and addition when 24 paid; and the goods so taken, shall (whether such payment be requested or not,) belong How such 26 to the Crown from the time they shall be so taken as aforesaid, and shall be sold or 28 otherwise dealt with in such manner as shall be provided by any regulation in that 30 behalf, or as the Governor of this Province shall direct, and the nett proceeds of the 32 sale of any such goods, shall be dealt with as monies arising from duties of Customs: 34 Provided always, that if the nett proceeds Proviso: bonus of any such sale, shall exceed the amount to collectors, appraisers, &c. 36 paid as aforesaid for such goods, then any for diligence.

take goods on

goods shall be dealt with.

regulation or order of the Governor in 40 Council, be paid to the Collector, Appraiser or the other Officer concerned in the taking 42 thereof, as a reward for his diligence.

38 per centum of such surplus, may under any

part of the surplus not exceeding

XVII. And be it enacted, That it shall be 44 the duty of the Collector to cause at least number of one package in every Invoice, and at least

Collector to cause a certain every entry to be opened, &c.

Forfeiture of goods not mentioned in Invoice, or undervalued, &c.

Or for false statement in any oath, &c.

Onus of proof on whom to lie.

Penalty on persons sinuggling goods, using false Invoices, &c. one package in ten if there be more than ten in any Invoice, and so many more as 2 he or any Appraiser shall deem it expedient to examine for the protection of the Revenue, to be sent to the warehouse and there to be opened, examined and appraised, the packages to be so opened being designated by the Collector on the Invoice; and if any package shall be found to contain any goods not mentioned in the Invoice, or 10 if any goods be found which shall not correspond with the description thereof in the 12 Invoice, and such omission or non-correspondence shall appear to have been made 14 for the purpose of avoiding the payment of the duty or of any part of the duty on 16 such goods, or if in any Invoice or Entry any goods shall have been undervalued 18 with such intent as aforesaid, or if the oath or affirmation made with regard to any 20 such Invoice or Entry shall be wilfully false in any particular, then in any of the 22 cases aforesaid all the packages and goods included or pretended to be included or 24 which ought to have been included in such Invoice or Entry, shall be forfeited: and the 26 burden of proof that all the requirements of this Act and of the Act hereby amend-28 ed, with regard to the Entry of any goods, have been complied with and fulfilled, shall 30 in all cases lie upon the parties whose duty. it was to comply with and fulfil the same. 32

XVIII. And be it enacted, That if any person shall knowingly and wilfully, with intent 34 to defraud the revenue of this Province, smuggle or clandestinely introduce into this 36 Province any goods subject to duty, without paying or accounting for the duty thereon, 38 or shall make out or pass or attempt to pass through the Custom House, any false, forged 40 or fraudulent invoice, or shall in any way attempt to defraud the revenue by evading 42 the payment of the duty or of any part of the duty on any goods, every such person, 44 his, her or their aiders or abettors shall, in addition to any other penalty or forfeiture 46 to which they may be subject for such offence, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor,

and on conviction shall be liable to a pe-2 nalty not exceeding or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding

years, or both, in the discretion of the Court before whom the conviction shall be 6 had.

XIX. And be it enacted, That the va-8 lue of any goods for duty shall always be stated the Bill of Entry thereof, whether goods be duty 10 such goods be or be not subject to ad valorem duty or to any duty, and the Invoice 12 thereof shall be produced to the Collector, but need not be or left with him or attested 14 an oath.

Value to be given in Entry although the

XX. And be it enacted, That any At- Certain things 16 torney and Agent duly thereunto authorized by a written instrument, which he shall de-18 liver to and leave with the Collector, may in his said quality validly make any entry 20 or execute any bond or other instrument required by this Act or by the Act hereby 22 amended, and shall thereby bind his principal as effectually as if such principal had 24 himself made such entry or executed such bond or other instrument, and may take the 26 oath hereby required of a Consignee or Agent, if he be cognizant of the facts there-28 in averred: and any instrument appointing such Attorney and Agent shall be valid if in 30 the form of the Schedule B hereunto an-

nexed, or in any form of words to the like

32 effect.

may be done by an attorney and agent.

XXI. And be it enacted, That any part-34 ner in any unincorporated Company, assocation or copartnership of persons, or their 36 Attorney and Agent authorized as aforesaid, may, under the name and style usually taken 38 by such Company, association or copartnership, make any entry or execute any bond 40 or other instrument required by this Act or by the Act hereby amended, without men-42 tioning the name or names of any of the Members or of the other Members of the 44 Company or association or partnership, and

such entry, bond or instrument shall never-

Any pariner may bind the Firm of which ho is a Member.

theless bind them as fully and effectually. and shall have the same effect in all respects 2 as if the name of every such Member or Partner had been therein mentioned and he 4 had signed the same, and (if it be a bond or other instrument under seal) as if he had 6 thereunto affixed his seal and had delivered the same as his act and deed; and the seal 8 thereunto affixed shall be held to be the seal of each and every such Member or Partner 10 as aforesaid: and the provisions of this Section shall apply to any instrument by which 12 any Company, association or partnership of persons, shall appoint an Attorney or 14 Agent to act for them under the next preceeding section; Provided always, that the 16 person who under this section shall make any entry or execute any bond or instru-18 ment on behalf of any Company, association or partnership, shall under the name and 20 style usually taken by them, write his own name with the word "by" or the words 22 "by their Attorney," (as the case may be) thereunto prefixed. 24

As to sealed instruments.

Proviso as to form of signing time.

Not less than a certain quantity of goods to be taken out of warehouse at one time. XXII. And be it enacted, That for and notwithstanding any thingin the Act hereby 26 amended or elsewhere, no parcel of goods shall be taken out of warehouse, whether 28 for consumption in this Province, or removal to some other Port, unless the duties thereon 30 amount to the sum of five pounds or upwards, or such parcel be all the goods 32 remaining in warehouse, and comprised in the same entry for warehousing.

As to mode of proceeding in suits for penalties or forfeitures in Lower Canada.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That for and notwithstanding any thing in the fifty-second 36 Section or in any other part of the Act hereby amended, all penalties and forfei-38 tures imposed by the said Act or by this Act, or by any other Act relating to the 40 Customs or to Trade or Navigation, may in Lower Canada, be sued for, prosecuted 42 and recovered, with costs, by the same form of proceeding as any other monies 44 due to the Crown, and the suit or prosecution for the recovery thereof, shall be 46

heard and determined, in like manner as 2 other suits or prosecutions in the same Court for monies due to the Crown, except 4 that in the Circuit Court, the same shall be heard and determined in a summary manner, 6 as provided in the Act hereby amended: but nothing in this Section shall affect any Proviso. 8 provisions of the said amended Act, except such only as relate to the form of proceed-10 ing and of trial in such suits or prosecutions as aforesaid.

XXIV. And be it enacted, that in any Regulation to be made by the Governor in 14 Council, under the said amended Act or this Act, any oath or affirmation may be 16 prescribed and required which the said Governor in Council may deem necessary to 18 protect the Revenue against fraud, and any person or officer may be authorized to ad-20 minister the same.

Regulationaby Governor in Council may require oaths,

XXV. And be it enacted, That in every case where the person required to take any 22 oath under this Act, shall be one of the persons entitled by law to take a solemn 24 affirmation instead of an oath in civil cases, such person may instead of the oath re-26 quired by this Act make a solemn affirmation to the same effect; and that every per-28 son before whom any oath is by this Act or by any Regulation to be made under 30 this Act or the said amended Act, required or allowed to be taken, or solemn affir-32 mation to be made, shall have full power to administer the same; and that the wil-34 fully making any false statement in any ments. such oath, shall be perjury, and the wilfully 36 making any false statement in any such solemn affirmation, shall be a misdemeanor 38 punishable as perjury.

Affirmation to be made instead of an oath in certain cases, &c.

Punishment for false state-

XXVI. And be it enacted, That this Act 40 shall be construed as if its provisions made part of the Act hereby amended, 42 instead of those parts of the said Act which are hereby repealed or superseded; and all 44 words and expressions used in this Act shall

Act to be construed as part of 10 & 11 V. c. 31.

be held to have the meaning assigned to them in the said Act; and except where it is 2 otherwise herein provided, all the provisions of the said amended Act, with regard to 4 the duties and penalties thereby imposed. and not inconsistent with those of this Act. shall apply to the duties and penalties imposed by this Act.

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Recital

XXVII. And whereas it appears that certain Gunpowder 10 during the year and other Ordnance Stores for the use of Her Majesty's Forces, were imported into 12 this Province, and the same not being within the Letter of the Table of exemptions in the 14 Schedule annexed to the Act amended, bonds were taken for payment of 16 the duties thereon if the Legislature should declare such duties payable; and whereas it 18 was not the intention of the Legislature that such duties should be payable: Be it there-20 fore enacted. That no duties shall be payable on the said Gunpowder and Ord-22 nance Stores, and that all bonds given for the payment of duties thereon shall be and 24 are hereby declared void and shall be cancelled.

Bonds for duties on certain ordnance stores made void.

Recital.

XXVIII. And whereas it appears that certain Cargoes of goods being the growth, 28 produce or manufacture of Nova Scotia and other British North American Colonies, were 30 during the year imported into this Province in good faith, the Importers be-32 lieving that the said goods would be admitted free of duty under the third 34 section of the Act hereby amended, inasmuch as like goods being the growth, 36 produce or manufacture of this Province were then admitted free of duty into the Co-38 lonies whence the said goods were imported; and whereas the said goods were admitted 40 free of duty by order of His Excellency the Governor General in consideration of 42 the circumstances aforesaid, although no Order in Council had then been made in 44 that behalf under the said third Section of the Act hereby amended, and it is expedient 46. to provide for the indemnification of all

parties concerned in the free admission of 2 the said goods; be it therefore enacted, That the order for the free admission 4 of the said goods shall be deemed to have been lawfully made, and all Officers or per-6 sons concerned in making or in obeying and carrying out the said order, are hereby 8 indemnified and saved harmless for what they may have done in that behalf.

Free admission of certain goods made ic-

XXIX. And whereas emergencies may arise for which, in order to maintain the 12 public faith, it may be necessary to provide before the time of which the Provincial 14 Parliament can be assembled: Be it therefore enacted. That it shall be lawful for 16 the Governor in Council from time to time.

in certain cases be increased by order in coun-

Duties may

and whenever, in his opinion, it may be ne-18 cessary, in order to enable the Consolidated Revenue Fund to meet the charges 20 placed thereon, to increase the Duties of Customs imposed by this Act, by adding 22 one tenth part, or ten per centum thereon, to such Duties, by any Order in Council to

24 be made and published in the Canada Gazette not less than three months before 26 it is to take effect, and in like manner and

after like notice, to take off such addi-

28 tional duty, and such additional duty shall be payable accordingly on all goods im-30 ported into this Province, or taken out of

Warehouse for consumption therein while

32 any such Order in Council shall be in force.

XXX. And be it enacted, That this Act Commenceshall have force and effect upon, from and Act. 36 after the day of

in the present year one thousand eight 38 hundred and forty-nine, and not before.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be 40 Act may be altered, amended or repealed this Session. by any Act to be passed during the present 42 Session of the Provincial Parliament.

amended, &c.

SCHEDULE A.

TABLE	\mathbf{OF}	DUTIES	OF	CUSTOMS	INWARDS.
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	uty (Cy.
	s.	D.
SUGAR, Refined or Candy, the cwt	14	0
And further for every £100 value12	2 10	0
, Other kinds, the cwt	9	0
And further for every £100 value19	2 10	0
MOLASSES, the cwt	3	0
And further for every £100 value12		0
TEA, the lb	0 (1
And further for every £100 value12		0
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COFFEE, Raw or Green, the cwt		8
And further for every £100 value12		0
Other kinds, the cwt		0
And further for every £100 value13	3 10	0
TOBACCO, Manufactured, the lb		1
And further for every £100 value12	2 10	0
, Unmanufactured, the lb	0 0	1 0
And further for every £100 value19	2 10	0
, Cigars, the lb	1	6
And further for every £100 value12	S. 10	0
, Snuff, the lb		4
And further for every £100 value12	3 10	0
WINE, In wood, value £15 the Pipe,——		_
gallons, or under, the gallon	0 (6
And further for every £100 value25	0	0
, In wood, value over £15 the Pipe, the		
gallon	1	6
And further for every £100 value25	5 0	0
, In bottles, the gallon		0
And further for every £100 value26		0
SPIRITS AND STRONG WATERS, of all sorts,		
For every gallon of any strength not ex-		
ceeding the strength of proof by Sykes'		
Hydrometer, and so in proportion for	. •	
any greater strength than the strength		
of proof, and for any greater or less		
quantity than a gallon:		
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Whiskey, the gallon 0	0	3
And further for every £100 value12	10	0
Rum, the gallon 0	1	3
And further for every £100 value25	0	0
GENEVA, BRANDY and other Spirits or Strong		
WATERS, except Rum and Whiskey,		
the gallon 0	2	0
And further for every £100 value25	0	0
Spirits, Cordials and Liqueurs, sweetened		
or mixed with any article so that the		
strength cannot be ascertained by		
Sykes' Hydrometer, the gallon 0	3	0
And further for every £100 value25	0	0
SALT, the bushel 0	0	1
And further for every £100 value12	10	0
SPICES AND FRUITS, NUTS, MACARONI,		
andVERMICELLI, SWEET-MEATS		
or FRUIT preserved in Sugar, Candy		
or Molasses, for every £100 value30	0	0
ANIMALS of all kinds, Hams, Meats of all kinds		
(except Mess Pork,) Butter, Cheese,		
Flour, Barley, Buckwheat, Bear and		
Bigg, Oats, Rye, Beans and Peas, Meal		
of the above grains and of Wheat not		
bolted, Bran in shorts, and Hops, for	^	_
every £100 in value	0	0
ANCHORS,—Bark, Berries, Nuts, Vegetables,		
Woods and Drugs used solely in dying,		
and Indigo—Bristles,—Burr stones un-		
wrought,—Chain Cables,—Coal and		
Coke, — Cotton Wool, — Grease and		
Scraps,—Hemp, Flax and Tow, undressed,—Hides,—Junk or Oakum,—		
Lard,—Lead, pig and sheet,—Marble		
in blocks unpolished,—Oil, Cocoanut,		
and Palm only,—Ores of all kinds of		
Metals,—Railroad Bars,—Bar and Rod		
Iron, Boiler Plate, Nail, Sheet and Hoop		
Iron for munufacturing Cut Nails, Spike		
Rods, Pig, Scrap and Old Iron,—Pipe		
Clay, — Resin, — Saw logs, — Ships'		
Water Casks in use. — Teasles. —		

Tallow, — Tar and Pitch, — Tarred Rope,—Type-metal in blocks or pigs,—
Wool, for every £100, 2 10 0

TABLE OF EXEMPTIONS.

Ashes, Pot and Pearl, and Soda; Anatomical Preparations; Philosophical Instruments and Apparatus; Printed Books, (not foreign reprints of British Copyright Works,) Maps; Busts and Casts of Marble, Bronze, Alabaster, or Plaster of Paris; Paintings, Drawings, Engravings, Etchings and Lithographs; Cabinets of Coins, Medals, or Gems, and other collections of Antiquities; specimens of Natural History, Mineralogy or Botany; Trees, Shrubs, Bulbs and Roots, Wheat and Indian Corn, Animals specially imported for the improvement of Stock.

Models of Machinery and other inventions and improvements in the Arts.

Coin and Bullion.

Manures of all kinds.

Arms, Clothing, Cattle, iProvisions and Stores of every description, which any Commissary or Commissaries, Contractor or Contractors shall import or bring or which may be imported or brought by the Principal or other Officer or Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance into the Province for the use of Her Majesty's Army or Navy, or for the use of the Indian Nations in this Province, provided the duty otherwise payable thereon would be defrayed or borne by the Treasury of the United Kingdom or of this Province.

Horses and Carriages of travellers; and Horses, Cattle and Carriages and other vehicles, when employed in carrying Merchandize, together with the necessary harness and tackle, so long as the same shall be bona fide in use for that purpose, except the Horses, Cattle, Carriages, Vehicles and Harness of persons hawking Goods, Wares and Merchandize through the Province for the purpose of retailing the same, and the Horses,

Cattle, Carriages and Harness of any Circus or Equestrian Troop for exhibition; the Horses, Cattle, Carriages and Harness of any Menagerie to be free.

Donations of Clothing specially imported for the use of or to be distributed gratuitously by any Charitable Society in this Province.

Seeds of all kinds, Farming Utensils and Implements of Husbandry, when specially imported in good faith by any Society incorporated or established for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The following Articles in the occupation or employment of persons coming into the Province for the purpose of actually settling therein, viz:

Wearing Apparel in actual use, and other personal effects not merchandize; Horses and Cattle; Implements and Tools of Trade of handy-crafts-men.

The personal Household Effects, not Merchandize, of inhabitants of this Province, being subjects of Her Majesty and dying abroad.

And the following Articles when imported directly from the United Kingdom or from any of the British North American Provinces, and being the growth, produce or manufacture of the said United Kingdom or of the said Provinces, viz:

Animals; Beef; Pork; Biscuit; Bread; Butter; Cocoa Paste; Corn or Grain of all kinds;—Flour; Fish, fresh or salted, dried or pickled; Fish Oil; Furs or Skins the produce of fish or creatures living in the Sea;—Gypsum; Horns;—Meat;—Poultry;—Plants, Shrubs and Trees; Potatoes and Vegetables of all kinds;—Seeds of all kinds;—Skins, Pelts, Furs or Tails undressed;—Wood, viz: Boards, Planks, Staves, Timber and Firewood.

TABLE OF PROHIBITIONS.

The following articles are Prohibited to be imported, under a penalty of Fifty Pounds, together with the forfeiture of the parcel or package of goods in which the same may be found.

BOOKS and DRAWINGS of an immoral or indecent character.

COIN, Base or Counterfeit.

SCHEDULE B.—FORMS.

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF AN AGENT, CONSIGNEE, OR IMPORTER NOT BEING THE OWNER.

Province of Canada.

Port of

2 I. (name) do solemnly and truly swear. (or affirm) that the Invoice (or Invoices) and Bill (or Bills) of Lading now presented by me to the Collector of are the true and only Invoice (or Invoices) and Bill (or Bills) of Lading by me received of all the goods, wares and merchandize imported in (the whereof is Master. from , vary these 12 words as the case may require) for account of any person whomsoever for whom I am 14 authorized to enter the same; that the said Invoice (or Invoices) and Bill (or Bills) 16 of Lading are in the same state as they were actually received by me, and that I do not 18 know or believe in the existence of any other Invoice or Bill of Lading of the said 20 goods, wares and merchandize; that the Bill (or Bills) of Entry hereunto annexed and 22 now delivered to the said Collector contains (or contain) a just and true account of the 24 said goods, wares and merchandize, according to the said Invoice (or Invoices) and 26 Bill (or Bills) of Lading; that nothing hasbeen on my part, nor to my knowledge on 28 the part of any other person, concealed or suppressed whereby Her Majesty the Queen 30 may be defrauded of any part of the duty lawfully due on the said goods, wares and 32 merchandize; and that if at any time hereafter I discover any error in the said Invoice 34 (or Invoices, or any of them) or Bill (or Bills) of Lading (or any of them), or in 36 the Bill (or Bills) of Entry and account

now rendered of the said goods, wares and 2 merchandize, or receive any other Invoice of the same, or of any of them, I will ima mediately make known the same to the Collector of this Port. And do further so-6 lemnly and truly swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, A. B. g and Co. of , &c. (as the case of 10 may be) are the owners (or is the owner) of the goods, wares and merchandize men-12 tioned in the said Bill (or Bills) of Entry hereunto annexed, as therein respectively 14 stated; that the Invoice (or Invoices) now produced by me exhibits (or exhibit) the 16 actual cost or fair market value, at the time when the same were thence exported to this 18 Province, in the principal markets in (insert the name of the country whence the goods 20 were exported to this Province, or use such other words as will meet the facts) of the 22 said goods, wares and merchandize.

(Signature.)

Sworn (or affirmed) before me, this day of 184

(Signature,)
Collector.
(or as the case may be.)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF AN OWNER, WHOSE GOODS HAVE BEEN PURCHASED.

Province of Canada, Port of

I, (name) do solemnly and truly swear 24 (or affirm,) that the Bill of (or Bills) entry now delivered by me to the Collector 26 of , contains (or contain) a just and true account of all the goods, 28 wares and merchandize, imported by, or consigned to (name or name of firm, &c.,)

in (the whereof

is master, from vary these words as the case may require); that the invoice (or invoices) which I now 4 produce, contains (or contain) a just and faithful account of the actual cost of the 6 said goods, wares and merchandize: that I do not know nor believe in the existence of any invoice, or bill of lading, other than those now produced by me, and that 10 they are in the state in which I actually received them. And I do further solemnly 12 and truly swear (or affirm) that I have not, in the said Bill (or Bills) of entry or invoice 14 (or invoices) concealed or suppressed any thing whereby Her Majesty the Queen may 16 be defrauded of any part of the duty lawfully due on the said goods, wares and mer- 18 chandize; and that if, at any time hereafter, I discover any error in the said in-20 voice (or invoices or any of them,) or in the Bill (or Bills) of entry and account now 22 produced, of the said goods, wares and merchandize, or receive any other invoice 24 of the same, I will immediately make the same known to the Collector of this Port: 26 So help me God.

(Signature.)

Sworn, (or affirmed) before me, this day of 184

(Signature,)

Collector.
(or as the case may be.)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF AN OWNER WHEN THE GOODS HAVE NOT BEEN ACTUALLY PURCHASED.

Province of Canada. Port of

I, (name) do solemnly and truly swear, 28 (or affirm) that, the Bill (or Bills) of entry

now delivered by me to the Collector of , contains (or contain) a just and true account of all the goods, wares and 4 merchandize, imported by or consigned to me (or to name of Firm) in (the 6 whereof is master, vary) these words as the case may require), (from ;) that the said goods, wares and merchandize, were not actually bought 10 by mc (ur us) or by my (or our) Agent, in the ordinary mode of bargain and sale; 12 but that, nevertheless, the invoice (or invoices), which I now produce contains (or 14 contain) a just and faithful valuation of the same, at their fair market value, in the 16 principal markets in (insert the name of the country whence the goods were exported to 18 this Province, or use such other words as will meet the facts) at the time they were so 20 exported; that I do not know, nor believe in the existence of any invoice or bill of 22 lading, other than those now produced by me, and that they are in the state in which 24 I (or we) actually received them.

And I do further solemnly and truly swear 26 (or affirm), that I have not, in the said Bill (or Bills) of entry or invoice (or invoices) 28 concealed or suppressed any thing whereby Her Majesty the Queen may be defrauded 30 of any part of the duty lawfully due on the said goods, wares and merchandize; 32 and that if at any time hereafter, I discover any error in the said invoice, (or invoices, 34 or any of them) or in the Bill (or Bills) of entry, and account now produced, of the 36 said goods, wares and merchandize, or receive any other invoice of the same, I will 38 immediately make the same known to the Collector of this Port. So help me God.

(Signature,)

Sworn (or affirmed) before me, this day of 184

(Signature,).
Collector.
(or as the case may be)

OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF AN OWNER, CONSIGNEE, IMPORTER OR AGENT, ON ENTERING MERCHANDIZE WITHOUT IN-VOICE.

I, (name,) do solemnly, sincerely and truly swear (or affirm) that the Bill (or 2 Bills) of entry and now delivered by me to , contains a just and 4 the Collector of true account of all the goods, wares and merchandize, imported for me or on my 6 account, or on account of any person for whom I am authorized to enter the same, 8 whereof in (the is Master, from vary these words as the case may require.) That the bill of lading now produced 12 by me is the true, genuine and only bill of lading by me received of the said goods, 14 wares and merchandize, and that I have not received, and do not know of any in-16 voice, or other account whatever having been received of the said goods, wares and 18 merchandize. I do further swear (or assirm) that if I hereaster discover any 20 other or greater quantity of goods, wares or merchandize, than is contained in the en-22 try aforesaid, or shall receive any invoice of the whole or any part thereof, I will im-24 mediately and without delay, report the same to the Collector of this District. I 26 that nothing has been concealed or suppressed in the entry 28 aforesaid, whereby to avoid the just payment of the duties imposed by the laws of 30 this Province of Canada; and that all matters are justly and truly expressed therein 32 according to the best of my knowledge and belief. So help me God. 34

(Signature.)

Sworn (or affirmed) before me, this 184

(Signature,)
Collector.
(or as the case may be.)

OATH of an OWNER residing out of this Province, when there is no Owner in the Province who can attest the Invoice, or when the owner is the manufacturer or concerned in the manufacture of the goods.

I, (name) do solemnly and truly swear 2 (or affirm) that the invoice hereunto annexed and signed by me, is the true or only 4 Invoice of the goods, wares and merchandize therein mentioned shipped,(or intended 6 to be shipped) by me (or by name of Firm) in the whereof 8 is Master, (vary these words as the case may require,) and consigned to 10 in the Province of Canada; that I have not sent and will not send, nor do I know or be-12 lieve in the existence of any other Invoice of the said goods, wares and merchandize; 14 that the said Invoice contains a just and faithful valuation of the said goods, wares 16 and merchandize at their fair market value. in the principal markets in (insert the name 18 of the Country whence the goods were exported to this Province, or use such other 20 words as will meet the facts) at the time when they were so exported, and that the 22 and where the same were so shipped (or at this time,) and that the same were not 24 actually purchased by me (or us) or on my (or our) account,—or (that the said Invoice 26 contains a just and faithful account of the actual cost of the said goods, wares and 28 merchandize and of their fair market value in the principal markets in (insert the name 30 of the Country whence the goods were exported to this Province, or use such other 32 words as will meet the facts) at the time when the same were purchased for my (or 34 our) account :—and that nothing has been concealed or suppressed in the said Invoice 36 or otherwise, whereby Her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain and Ireland may 38 be defrauded of any part of the duty law-

fully to become due in Canada n the said

goods, wares and merchandize. So help me God.

(Signature.)

Sworn (or affirmed) before me, this day of 184

(Signature,)
Collector.

or
British Consul at
(or as the case may be.)

The wording of any of these Oaths or Affirmations may be changed to suit the circumstances of the case, and the Oath or Affirmation will be sufficient provided the frequisite facts are distinctly stated and sworn to or affirmed.

APPOINTMENT of an ATTORNEY or AGENT.

Province of Canada.

Know all men by these presents that we A. B. and Co. have appointed and do 10 hereby appoint C. D. of (residence, profession, &c.) to be our true and lawful at-12 torney and agent, for us, and in our name, to transact all business which we may 14 have with the Collector at the Port of or relating to the Depart- 16 ment of the Customs at the said Port, and to execute, sign, seal and deliver for us and 18 in our name all bonds, entries and other instruments in writing relating to any such 20 business as aforesaid, hereby ratifying and confirming all that our said attorney and agent shall do in the behalf aforesaid. In witness whereof we have signed these pre- 22 sents, and sealed and delivered the same as our act and deed, at in the 24 said Province, this day of one thousaid eight hundred and 26

> A. B. & Co. [L. S.] by , one of the partners in the said firm.

In presence of E. F. and G. H.