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WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage the use of the Presmble. St. Lawrence route by Emigrants from Europe to the United States; Be it therefore &c.,

and it is hereby enacted Partofile 4 by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful tax on any Emigrant 6 for the Governor to instruct the Collector of the Customs coming through this at any Port or Ports on or near the frontier between Province to 8 this Province and the United States, to pay back to such the United States, may be person as shall be designated in a certificate from the raid back on 10 Emigrant Agent at the Port at which the Duty shall have certain conditions. been paid, as the proper person to receive such payment, 12 a sum equal to of the Duty paid upon any Emigrant arriving in the Province after the

, provided such Certificate shall also shew that such Emigrant came into this Province with the 16 declared intention of passing directly through it to the United States, and provided the Collector shall be satisfied 18 by the Certificate of the same or of some other Emigrant Agent, that such Emigrant liath not been (or if he be the 20 head of a family that no one of such family hath been) chargeable upon the Province since his arrival therein, and 22 shall also be satisfied by his own knowledge and inquiry, that such Emigrant hath come directly and with all reasonable 24 despatch, from the place where the Duty was paid to such frontier Port, and hath there paid for a passage by and 26 embarked (with his baggage and family if any) on board of some Vessel or Boat bound for and immediately 28 about to depart to a port or place in the United States:

Provided also, that such Collector shall obey and be Proviso. 30 bound by any further instructions he may receive in this behalf from the Governor, and that such instructions may

32 extend to the employment of a proper officer or person to accompany any such Emigrants to the United States, and

34 there to pay the sum to be returned as aforesaid.

II. And be it enacted, that if any person shall by any Penalty on 36 false pretence, obtain any sum of money under this Act persons fraudulently obwithout being legally entitled thereto, he shall for such taining such

offence incur a penalty not exceeding ten pounds, to be recovered with costs, on the oath of one credible witness 2 other than the prosecutor, before any Justice of the Peace, and to belong to the prosecutor and be levied by distress and 4 sale of the goods and chattels of the offender under warrant of such Justice; or the offender may be committed to 6 prison, for a time not exceeding months, unless such penalty be sooner paid.

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Instructions how communicated.

Words "Emigrant" and "duty" interpreted.

Out of what monies such re-payment may be made, dic.

And to whom.

III. And be it enacted, that the instructions of the 10 Governor under this Act may be communicated to any Collector, in like manner as instructions with regard to 12 the remission of any other duty, or to any other matter relative to the collection and management of the Pro- 14 vincial Revenue: that the word "Emigrant" shall in this Act have the meaning assigned to the word "Passenger" 16 or "Emigrant" in the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled, "An Act to repeal 18 " certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make further " provision respecting Emigrants," and the word "Duty" 20 shall mean the rate or duty payable under the said Act; that any sum hereby authorized to be paid back may be so 22 paid out of any public monies in the hands of the Collector or out of public monies to be advanced to him for the 24 purpose; that no such repayment shall cancel or affect any bond given under the said Act, by the Master of 26 any Vessel with regard to any Emigrant; and that the proper person to receive back such portion as aforesaid 28 of the said duty, shall be the Owner, Charterer, Consignee or Master of the vessel by the Master whereof such duty 30 shall have been payable, or other party who would eventually bear the said duty if not paid back as aforesaid, 32 and not the Emigrant himself, unless he shall have paid such duty separately and apart from his passage money, 34 and shall have then expressly covenanted for the right to receive such repayment.