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An Act to amend the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine.

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An Act to amend the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine.

WHEREAS great inconvenience and hardship are occasioned to Preamble.
Emigrants arriving in the Port of Quebec, by the want of some landing place at which proper shelter and protection should be provided for them, and which should be under the exclusive control of the Chief Emigration Agent, and at which the Masters of vessels bringing such Emigrants should be bound to land them with their baggage, except only under certain special circumstances: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

- 10 **1.** The Governor in Council may by proclamation, from time to time, Governor in Council may appoint the place at which all emigrants and passengers arriving in the Port of Quebec, other than such as may be specially excepted in such proclamation, shall be landed, and may in and by such Proclamation, make such regulations as he shall think proper for the government of the place so appointed, and for the protection of the emigrants landed thereat, and such proclamation being published at least twice in the Canada Gazette, with an interval of at least six days between each publication, shall have the force of law, and shall be in force until suspended by a later proclamation for the like purpose, published as aforesaid ; and at the place so appointed the Governor in Council may cause proper shelter and accommodation to be provided for emigrants until they can be forwarded to their place of destination ; and any contravention of any such proclamation as aforesaid, or of any regulation therein contained, shall be deemed a contravention of this Act and of the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine, hereby amended, and shall be punishable as such.

- 2.** The Master of any vessel arriving in the Port of Quebec and having on board the same any emigrants or passengers to whom the proclamation aforesaid then in force shall apply, shall land such emigrants and their baggage free of expense at the place so appointed, and at reasonable hours, not earlier than six in the morning nor later than four in the afternoon, and the vessel shall, for the purpose of landing such emigrants or passengers and their baggage, either be moored at the wharf at the place appointed for such landing, or anchored in the harbor of Quebec within of such wharf, under a penalty of *forty dollars* for each offence against the provisions of this section ; and the sixteenth section of the Act respecting Emigrants and Quarantine shall not apply to any such emigrant or passenger as aforesaid.

Duty of Masters of vessels bringing emigrants.
Sect. 19 re-

pealed;
 steamers
 bound up-
 wards not to
 receive pas-
 sengers from
 vessels until
 emigrants are
 landed.

3. The nineteenth section of the said Act is hereby repealed; and, except only with the express permission of the Chief Emigration Agent at Quebec, no steam vessel bound for any place beyond the limits of the harbor of Quebec upwards, shall go alongside of or receive any passenger whatever directly from any vessel arriving in the Port of Quebec and having on board emigrants or passengers to whom any such proclamation as aforesaid then in force shall apply, until all such emigrants or passengers shall have been landed at the place appointed in such proclamation, under a penalty of *forty dollars* against the Master or person in command of such steam vessel for each passenger received by such steam vessel in contravention of this section. 5 10

How this Act
 shall be con-
 strued.

4. So much of any other part of the said Act as may be inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed; and this Act shall be construed as one Act with the said Act, and any citation of the said Act shall be understood as meaning and intending the said Act hereby amended. 15