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NORTH AMERICAN COLONIES.

COPIES OF ACTS

RECENTLY PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURES

OF

CANADA, NOVA SCOTIA, NEW BRUNSWICK, AND
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

FOR GIVING EFFECT ON THE PART OF THOSE PROVINCES

TO THE

RECENT RECIPROCITY TREATY WITH
THE UNITED STATES.

Presented to both Houses of Parliament by Command of Her Majesty,
2d February 1855.



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COPIES OF ACTS, &c.

I. CANADA.

CANADA

An Act for giving effect, on the part of this Province, to a certain Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for giving effect, as regards this Province, to the Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, signed on the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled "An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada," and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

I. Whenever the Governor of this Province shall, by Proclamation, declare that the said Treaty has taken effect according to the terms thereof, the articles enumerated in the schedule hereunto annexed, being the growth and produce of the said United States, shall be admitted into this Province free of duty, so long as the said Treaty shall remain in force; except that if at any time the said United States shall, under the terms of the said Treaty, suspend the operation of the third article thereof, so far as this Province is affected thereby, then the Governor of this Province may, if he see fit, declare such suspension by Proclamation, after which the exemption from duty under this Act shall cease while such suspension shall continue, but the Governor may again, whenever such suspension shall cease, declare the same by Proclamation, from and after which such exemption shall again take effect.

II. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, by any Order or Orders to be made for that purpose, to do anything which shall be found necessary to be done on the part of this Province to give full effect to the said Treaty, and any such Order shall have the same effect as if the object thereof were expressly provided for by this Act.

III. The Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to provide for the free admission into Canada of certain articles of the growth or production of the United States of America, on certain conditions therein mentioned," is hereby repealed.

SCHEDULE.

Grain, flour, and breadstuffs of all kinds.

Animals of all kinds.

Fresh, smoked, and salted meats.

Cotton-wool, seeds, and vegetables.

Undried fruits, dried fruits.

Fish of all kinds.

Products of fish and all other creatures living in the water.

Poultry, eggs.

Hides, furs, skins, or tails undressed.

Stone or marble in its crude or unwrought state.

Slate.

CANADA.

Butter, cheese, tallow.
 Lard, horns, manures.
 Ores of metals of all kinds.
 Coal.
 Pitch, tar, turpentine, ashes.
 Timber and lumber of all kinds, round, hewed, sawed, unmanufactured in whole or in part.
 Firewood.
 Plants, shrubs, and trees.
 Pelts, wood.*
 Fish-oil.
 Rice, broomcorn, and bark.
 Gypsum, ground or unground.
 Hewn or wrought or unwrought burr or grindstones.
 Dye-stuffs.
 Flax, hemp, and tow unmanufactured.
 Unmanufactured tobacco.
 Rags.

* Sic in copy.

I do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Canada in the First Session of the Fifth Provincial Parliament, and assented to in Her Majesty's name by his Excellency the Governor General on Saturday the twenty-third day of September 1854.

J. F. TAYLOR,
 Clerk, Legislative Council.

II.

NOVA SCOTIA.

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Province of Nova Scotia.

ANNO DECIMO OCTAVO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. I.

An Act for giving effect, on the part of the Province of Nova Scotia, to a certain Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America
 [Passed the 13th day of December 1854.]

Whereas it is expedient to provide for giving effect, as regards this Province, to the Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, signed on the fifth day June in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four :

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly, as follows :

I. Whenever the Governor of this Province shall, by Proclamation, declare that the Treaty has taken effect according to the terms thereof, the articles enumerated in the schedule to this Act, being the growth and produce of the United States of America, shall be admitted into this Province free of duty, so long as the Treaty shall remain in force, any law, act, or statute to the contrary notwithstanding, except that if at any time the United States shall, under the terms of the Treaty, suspend the operation of the third article thereof so far as this Province is affected thereby, then the Governor of this Province may, if he see fit, declare such suspension by Proclamation, after which the exemption from duty under this Act shall cease while such suspension shall continue; but the Governor may again, whenever such suspension shall cease, declare the same by Proclamation, from and after which such exemption shall again take effect.

II. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, by any Order or Orders to be made for that purpose, to do anything further in accordance with the spirit

and intention of the Treaty which shall be found necessary to be done on the part of this Province to give full effect to the Treaty, and any such Order shall have the same effect as if the object thereof were expressly provided for by this Act.

III. When and so soon as the Treaty shall be declared by Proclamation of the Governor to be in force, and to have taken effect according to the terms thereof, as provided for by the first section of this Act, the first eighteen sections of the ninety-fourth chapter of the revised statutes, "Of the Coast Fisheries," together with such provisions of all other laws, acts or statutes of this Province now in force as are contrary to or inconsistent with the terms and spirit of the Treaty, are hereby declared to be suspended as regards citizens and inhabitants of the United States of America, and vessels, boats, and crafts belonging to the citizens and inhabitants of that country, and shall continue to be so suspended and not in force so long as the Treaty shall continue and be in force, any law, act, or statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

SCHEDULE TO THIS ACT.

Grain, flour, and breadstuffs of all kinds.
 Animals of all kinds.
 Fresh, smoked, and salted meats.
 Cotton-wool, seeds, and vegetables.
 Undried fruits, dried fruits.
 Fish of all kinds.
 Products of fish and all other creatures living in the water.
 Poultry, eggs.
 Hides, furs, skins, or tails undressed.
 Stone or marble in its crude or unwrought state.
 Slate.
 Butter, cheese, tallow.
 Lard, horns, manures.
 Ores of metals of all kinds.
 Coal.
 Pitch, tar, turpentine, ashes.
 Timber and lumber of all kinds, round, hewed, and sawed, unmanufactured
 in whole or in part.
 Firewood, plants, shrubs, and trees.
 Pelts, wool.
 Fish-oil.
 Rice, broomcorn, and bark.
 Gypsum, ground or unground.
 Hewn, wrought, or unwrought burr or grindstones.
 Dye-stuffs.
 Flax, hemp, and tow unmanufactured.
 Unmanufactured tobacco.
 Rags.

Province of Nova Scotia.

Halifax, December 1854.

It is hereby certified, that the foregoing is a true copy of an Act passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in the present session.

J. GASP. LE MARCHANT,
 Lieut.-Governor.

III.
NEW BRUNSWICK.

CAP. I.

An Act for giving effect, on the part of the Province of New Brunswick, to a certain Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America.

Section.

Preamble refers to Treaty signed 5th June 1854.

- I. Free importation of certain articles on Proclamation that Treaty has effect; power to suspend.
- II. Other things may be done to effectuate the Treaty.
- III. Suspension of certain Acts during force of Treaty.
Schedule of articles to be free.

[Passed 3d November 1854.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for giving effect, as regards this Province, to the Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America, signed on the 5th day of June in the year of our Lord 1854 :

Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, as follows:

I. Whenever the Governor of this Province shall, by Proclamation, declare that the said Treaty has taken effect according to the terms thereof, the articles enumerated in the schedule to this Act, being the growth and produce of the said United States of America, shall be admitted into this Province free of duty, so long as the said Treaty shall remain in force, any law, act, or statute to the contrary notwithstanding, except that if at any time the said United States shall, under the terms of the said Treaty, suspend the operation of the third article thereof, so far as this Province is affected thereby, then the Governor of this Province may, if he see fit, declare such suspension by Proclamation, after which the exemption from duty under this Act shall cease while such suspension shall continue; but the Governor aforesaid may again, whenever such suspension shall cease, declare the same by Proclamation, from and after which such exemption shall again take effect.

2. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council, by any Order or Orders to be made for that purpose, to do anything further, in accordance with the spirit and intention of the said Treaty, which shall be found necessary to be done on the part of this Province to give full effect to the said Treaty; and any such Order shall have the same effect as if the object thereof were expressly provided for by this Act.

III. When and so soon as the said Treaty shall be declared by Proclamation of the Governor to be in force, and to have taken effect according to the terms thereof, as provided for by the first section of this Act, an Act made and passed in the fifteenth and sixteenth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act relating to the Coast Fisheries, and for the prevention of illicit trade," together with such provisions of all other laws, acts, or statutes of this Province now in force as are contrary to or inconsistent with the terms and spirit of the said Treaty, are hereby declared to be suspended, and shall

continue to be so suspended, and not in force, so long as the said Treaty shall continue and be in force, any law, act, or statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

SCHEDULE TO THIS ACT.

Grain, flour, and breadstuffs of all kinds.
 Animals of all kinds.
 Fresh, smoked, and salted meats.
 Cotton wool, seeds, and vegetables.
 Undried fruits, dried fruits.
 Fish of all kinds.
 Products of fish and all other creatures living in the water.
 Poultry, eggs.
 Hides, furs, skins, or tails undressed.
 Stone or marble in its crude or unwrought state.
 Slate.
 Butter, cheese, tallow.
 Lard, horns, manures.
 Ores of metals of all kinds.
 Coal.
 Pitch, tar, turpentine, ashes.
 Timber and lumber of all kinds, round, hewed, and sawed, unmanufactured in whole or in part.
 Firewood, plants, shrubs, and trees.
 Pelts, wool.
 Fish-oil.
 Rice, broomcorn, and bark.
 Gypsum, ground or unground.
 Hewn or wrought or unwrought burr or grindstones.
 Dye-stuffs.
 Flax, hemp, and tow unmanufactured.
 Unmanufactured tobacco.
 Rags.

IV.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

PRINCE EDWARD
ISLAND.

An Act to authorize Free Trade with the United States of America, under a Treaty between Great Britain and the United States of America.

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to authorize Free Trade with the United States of America, under and by virtue of the provisions of a Treaty entered into between Great Britain and the United States of America, signed on the fifth day of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four:

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly, That whenever the Lieutenant-Governor or other Administrator of the Government of this Island for the time being shall receive satisfactory evidence that the articles herein-after enumerated will be admitted into the United States of America by law free of duty, the said Lieutenant-Governor or other administrator of the Government of this Island for the time being is hereby authorized and empowered to issue his Proclamation declaring that he has such evidence, and thereupon, from the date of such Proclamation, the following articles, being the growth and produce of the United States of America; to wit, grain, flour, and breadstuffs of all kinds; animals of all kinds; fresh, smoked, and salted meats; cotton wool; seeds and vegetables; undried fruits; dried fruits; fish of all kinds; products of fish and of all other

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creatures living in the water; poultry, eggs; hides, furs, skins, or tails undressed; stone or marble in its crude or unwrought state; slate; butter, cheese, tallow, lard; horns; manures; ores of metals of all kinds; coal, pitch, tar, turpentine, ashes; timber and lumber of all kinds,—round, hewed, and sawed, unmanufactured in whole or in part; firewood, plants, shrubs, and trees; pelts, wool, fish-oil, rice, broomcorn, and bark; gypsum, ground or unground; hewn or wrought, or unwrought burr or grindstones; dyestuffs, flax, hemp, and tow unmanufactured; unmanufactured tobacco; rags,— shall be introduced into this Island free of duty, so long as the said Treaty shall remain in force; and all the other provisions of the said Treaty shall go into effect and be observed on the part of this Island with the United States of America.

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