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No. 304.

4th Session, 8d Parliament, 14 & 15 Vict., 1851.

BILL.

An Act to amend the Emigrant Act, by reducing the tax on Emigrants coming into this Province, and for other purposes.

Received and read a first time, Friday, 15th.
August, 1851.

Second reading, Tuesday, 19th August, 1851.

Hon. Mr. HINCKS.

B I L L .

An Act to amend the Emigrant Act, by reducing the tax on Emigrants coming into this Province, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS it is expedient to reduce the rate or duty Preamble. imposed by the Act hereinafter mentioned, and otherwise to amend the said Act: Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

5 That the rate or duty imposed by the second section of the Act passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign and intituled, "*An Act to repeal certain Acts therein* Rate or duty imposed by 12 Vict. c. 6 reduced.
mentioned, and to make further provision respecting
 10 "*Emigrants*" shall be and is hereby reduced, so that the same shall be five shillings currency for every adult Passenger or Emigrant, and three shillings and nine pence currency for every other Passenger or Emigrant between the ages of five and fifteen, who shall have embarked from any port in the United Kingdom under the sanction
 15 of Her Majesty's Government, ascertained as in the said Act provided; and seven shillings and six pence currency for every passenger or emigrant who shall have embarked without such sanction; to which duties so reduced, all the provisions and enactments of the said Act shall apply as
 20 fully as if such reduction had not been made.

II. And be it declared and enacted, That it was and is the intention of the said Act, that the moneys raised under the authority thereof should be applied, under the authority of the Governor of this Province, as well in
 25 defraying the expenses of forwarding destitute Emigrants to their place of destination, and in otherwise aiding, relieving and providing for them, as in defraying the expenses of medical attendance and examination of destitute Emigrants on their arrival; and that it shall be
 30 lawful for the Governor in Council to apply any surplus which may now, or shall hereafter at any time, remain out of the said moneys after defraying the expenses aforesaid, in aid of any charitable institution affording relief to destitute Emigrants and their children.

35 III. And be it enacted, That the foregoing provisions of this Act shall have force and effect on the *first day of January* next, and not before. Commencement of this Act.