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2 William IV – Chapter 25

An Act to continue and amend an Act therein mentioned, intituled, “An Act for the better regulation of the Lumber Trade.” (25th February, 1832.)

Whereas it is expedient to amend and to continue for a limited time a certain Act passed in the ninth year of His late Majesty's Reign and intituled, “An Act for the better regulation of the Lumber Trade:” Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, “An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, ‘An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Québec in North-America,’ and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;” And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the said Act passed in the ninth year of His late Majesty's Reign and intituled, “An Act for the better regulation of the Lumber Trade,” shall be and is hereby continued and shall (with the exception herein after made) be and remain in force until the expiration of this Act, and no longer.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth Sections of the said Act, which relate to the salvage of timber, masts, spars, staves, oars, hand spikes, planks, boards, boats, bateaux and scows going adrift in the River Saint Lawrence and the River Ottawa, and the streams that fall into them, and all the provisions, matters and things in the said Sections contained, shall be and they are hereby repealed.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and after the passing of this Act, pipe staves, of five feet six inches in length, five inches in breadth at the narrowest part and one inch thick, shall be reckoned at two thirds of the price of standard staves. That all staves of four feet six inches in length, five inches in breadth at the narrowest part shall (if they be one inch thick) be reckoned at one half the price of standard staves, if they be one inch and a half thick, at seven tenths of such price—if they be two inches thick, at eight tenths of such price—if they be two inches and a half thick, at nine tenths of such price—and if they be three inches thick at the same price as standard staves, any thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that whenever there shall be no specific agreement to the contrary between the buyer and seller, four fifths at least of the whole number of staves sold or contracted for shall be staves five feet and a half long, and that not more than one third of the remaining fifth of such number shall be heading.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and remain in force until the first day of May one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and no longer.