

At the **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** of the Province of Nova-Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Tuesday the Twenty-first day of July, 1812, in the Fifty-second year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord **GEORGE** the Third, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great-Britain and Ireland, **KING**, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c. being the Second Session of the Tenth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.*

* In the time of Sir John Coape Sherbrooke, Knight of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor; S. S. Blowers, Chief Justice and President of Council; Lewis M. Wilkins, Speaker of the Assembly; H. H. Cogswell, Deputy Secretary of the Council; and James B. Francklin, Clerk of Assembly.

CAP. I.

An ACT to empower the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to appoint Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes.

BE it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, when, and as soon as he may deem necessary, to appoint three fit and proper persons as Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes, to the amount of Twelve Thousand Pounds, as follows, viz :

Fifty notes of fifty pounds each ; one hundred notes of twenty pounds each ; two hundred notes of twelve pounds ten shillings each ; four hundred notes of five pounds each ; four hundred notes of two pounds ten shillings each ; and two thousand notes of twenty shillings each : making in the whole twelve thousand pounds ; which Treasury Notes shall bear lawful interest from the day they shall be issued in payment from the Treasury, and shall be indented and impressed with the words "Nova-Scotia," signed by the Treasurer of the Province, and countersigned by the said Commissioners, and containing the following figures and words, to wit :

No.

Province of Nova-Scotia, Treasurer's Office. Form of Notes.

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By a Law of this Province, the bearer of this note is entitled to receive at the Treasury the sum of _____ with interest, at the rate of six per cent, per annum, from the day it issued by the Treasurer.

Dated at Halifax, the _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____

All which notes shall be of the same date, and when so completed and signed, be delivered to _____

Notes delivered to Treasurer

to the Treasurer by the persons appointed to countersign the same; and the Treasurer shall be accountable for such notes so delivered to him.

Payment of Warrants on Treasury.

II. *And be it further enacted,* That when and as often as money shall become due and payable by virtue of any Act or Acts already passed, or that may be passed during the present Session of the General Assembly, and warrants for the same are produced for payment to the Treasurer of the Province, he shall pay the amount of such warrants on demand, in gold or silver, or in the said notes, to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, at his or their election, which notes shall be again received at the Treasury, and also by the Collectors of Impost and Excise for the several Districts in this Province, at their specified value, equal to the like value in gold or silver, when, and as often, as the same are presented and offered in payment of duties, and the interest from the day of their being issued in payment, computed and allowed.

Notes taken for duties.

Date and signature of Notes.

III. *And be it further enacted,* That the Treasurer of the Province shall, on the day, and before, he issues any of the notes in payment as aforesaid, write on the same the day of the month and year they are so issued, and sign his name thereto, and from the time so written by him on the said notes so issued, they shall bear lawful interest.

Interest on Notes.

Cancelling of Notes.

IV. *And be it further enacted* That the said notes, or any of them, when received by the Collectors of Impost and Excise for the several districts in this Province, in payment for duties, the said Collectors shall write on the said notes the day of the month and year the same were so received; and the person or persons delivering them in payment shall sign his name thereto; and the said notes, when received by the Treasurer of the Province from the said Collectors, shall not again be issued from the Treasury, but shall be cancelled in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, shall deem expedient.

Counterfeiting of Notes.

V. *And be it further enacted,* that if any person or persons whatsoever, shall counterfeit any of the notes aforesaid, issued by virtue of this Act, or alter any of the same so that they shall appear to be of greater value than when originally issued, or shall knowingly pass, or give in payment, any of the notes aforesaid so counterfeited or altered, every person convicted thereof shall be set in the Pillory for the space of one whole hour, and one of the ears of such offender shall be nailed thereto, and such offender shall also be publicly whipped through the streets of the town or place where such offence shall be committed, and shall pay all charges of the prosecution.

Calling in of Notes.

VI. *And be it further enacted,* That so soon as, by the report of the Joint Committee of His Majesty's Council and the House of Assembly, in their annual examination of the Public Accounts, it shall appear that the state of the Treasury will admit the calling in to the value of two thousand pounds and upwards of the notes so issued and paid out, the Treasurer shall, by advertisement in the Royal Gazette, appoint a time at which he will receive such notes and pay the amount of the same, together with the interest due thereon, in gold or silver, giving sixty days notice of such redemption, and mentioning the number so required to be produced for payment, calling in first the notes of the largest amount then in circulation; and on failure of such notes being produced, at the time limited, all future interest on the same shall cease, and no other or greater amount of interest shall be paid on such notes so called in, than was due and payable at the date the same were required to be presented to the Treasury as aforesaid.

Printing of Notes.

VII. *And be it further enacted,* That the Treasurer of the Province, together with the persons appointed to countersign the said notes, are hereby empowered to contract for and superintend the printing and completing the blanks of such notes as are directed to be issued by virtue of this Act.

VIII.

VIII. *And be it further enacted*, That in case the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief shall, by his warrant or warrants, require the said Commissioners to re-issue notes to the amount of the notes so received in payment at the Treasury, or to the amount of any part of such notes, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners to issue new notes to the amount which such warrant or warrants shall require, provided the amount of new notes so to be issued, shall not exceed the amount of the notes so from time to time received at the Treasury.

Re-issuing of
Notes.

CAP. II.

An ACT for granting to His Majesty an additional Revenue to defray the expense of the War; and to appoint Commissioners to borrow Money for the use of the Province.

BE it enacted, by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, That, from and after the twenty-fifth day of August in this present year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twelve, there shall be granted and paid to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, a further duty of six pence per gallon on all wine; a further duty of four pence per gallon on all Rum; and a further duty of six pence per gallon on all other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, which shall then be and remain in, or which shall thereafter be imported into, this Province: to be raised, levied, collected and paid, by the ways, means, rules, provisions and directions, and under the regulations, forfeitures and penalties, expressed, prescribed and declared, in and by an Act, passed in the forty-eighth year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, An Act for granting to His Majesty certain duties on Wine, Rum, and other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, Molasses, Coffee and Brown Sugar, for the support of His Majesty's Government, and for promoting the Agriculture, Commerce and Fisheries of this Province.

Additional Du-
ties—

On Wine,
On Rum,

Collection of
Duties.

II. *Provided always, and be it further enacted*, That if any Wine, Rum or other Distilled Spirituous Liquors, upon which the duty hereby imposed shall be paid, or secured to be paid, shall be exported from this Province, under the limitations and provisions of the said Act, of the forty-eighth year of his present Majesty, then the duty hereby imposed shall be endorsed by the Collector on the securities of such exporter, or if the same shall have been paid, then such exporter shall be entitled to receive the amount of the said duty, from the Treasurer of the Province.

Drawbacks on
exportation of
dutiable arti-
cles.

III. *And be it further enacted*, That all and every person and persons who on the said twenty-fifth day of August, shall have in his, her, or their custody or possession, any quantity of Wine, exceeding one hundred gallons; of Rum exceeding one hundred gallons; or other Spirituous Liquors, exceeding one hundred gallons, shall render to the Collector of the district or place wherein the same shall be, an exact account of the quantity of such Wine, Rum or Spirituous Liquors, and shall pay or give security to such Collector, for payment of the additional duty thereon imposed by this Act, and shall at the foot of such account make and subscribe the following Oath, which the said Collectors are hereby empowered to administer, that is to say:—

Holders of duti-
able articles to
render an ac-
count of the
quantities on
oath.

I. A. B. do swear, that the foregoing account now produced by me, is just and true, and that it contains the whole of the Wine, Rum, and other Spirituous Liquors in my custody

Form of oath.

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