

CAP. III.

An Act to facilitate Reciprocal Free Trade between this Province and the other British North American Provinces.

[24th July, 1850.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for the establishment of Reciprocal Free Trade between this Province and the other British North American Provinces or Possessions: 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, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council from time to time to declare that any article whatever, when of the growth, produce or manufacture of the British North American Provinces or Possessions of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward's Island and Newfoundland, or of any one or more of them, is or is not admissible into this Province free from duty, and under what circumstances, conditions and regulations: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall have the effect of rendering any such article liable to duty in any case where without this Act it would be free from duty.

Preamble.

Produce of B. N. A. Provinces may be admitted free under order in Council.

Proviso.

CAP. IV.

An Act to encourage Emigrants from Europe to the United States to use the St. Lawrence route.

[24th July, 1850.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage the use of the St. Lawrence route by Emigrants from Europe to the United States: 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, That it shall be lawful for the Governor to instruct the Collector of the Customs at any Port or Ports on or near the frontier between this Province and the United States, to pay back to such person as shall be designated in a Certificate from the Emigrant Agent at the Port at which the Duty shall have been paid, as the proper person to receive such payment, a sum equal to one half of the Duty paid upon any Emigrant arriving in the Province after the first day of May, provided such Certificate shall also shew that such Emigrant came into this Province with the declared intention of passing directly through it to the United States, and provided the Collector shall be satisfied by the Certificate of the same or of some other Emigrant Agent, that such Emigrant hath not been (or if he be the head of a family, that no one of such family hath been) chargeable upon the Province since his arrival therein, and shall also be satisfied by his own knowledge and inquiry, that such Emigrant hath come directly, and with all reasonable despatch, from the place where the Duty was paid to such frontier Port, and hath there paid for a passage by and embarked (with his baggage and family if any) on board of some Vessel or Boat bound for and immediately about to depart to a port or place in the United States: Provided also, that such Collector shall obey and be bound by any further instructions he may receive in this behalf from the Governor, and that such instructions may extend to the employment of a proper officer or person to accompany any such Emigrants to the United States, and there to pay the sum to be returned as aforesaid.

Preamble.

Part of the tax on any Emigrant coming through this Province to the United States, may be paid back on certain conditions.

Proviso.