

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Upper Canada*, passed in the year 1849. Montreal: Stewart Derbyshire & George Desbarats, 1849.

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**An Act to authorize the Montreal Harbour Commissioners to commute for certain Harbour Dues, with the Corporations therein mentioned, and for other purposes. 30th May, 1849.**

Whereas it is expedient for the facility of trade and business in the Harbour of Montreal, and promotion of the communications in connection therewith, as carried on by means of the steamers plying between Laprairie and Montreal, and between Longueuil and Montreal, respectively belonging to or employed by the respective Corporations hereinafter mentioned, to dispense with the Tariff or Table of Charges, Duties or Harbour Dues established by the Act of the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter fifty-six, in so far as the same may affect the steamers appertaining to the said Corporations respectively, and so plying between those places, or any goods, wares, merchandize, packages, horses, horned cattle, sheep, swine or other animals and produce, landed from or taken on board the same in the Harbour of Montreal, and to fix a gross sum to be taken by the Harbour Commissioners, in lieu, commutation and satisfaction of all Charges, Duties or Harbour Dues as may be or become due and payable for any one season of navigation during this Act, by the said Corporations respectively, for such Harbour Dues to the said Commissioners, for or by reason of their steamers frequenting the said Harbour of Montreal, and the wharfage exigible, according to the said Act, on any goods or property therein, passing and re-passing to or from the said Harbour: 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, 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 said Commissioners of the Harbour of Montreal, with the assent of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, to take and accept from the Champlain and Saint Lawrence Rail-Road Company, such gross sum of money as may be considered a fair equivalent on that behalf, in commutation and satisfaction of all Harbour Dues, accruing to the said Commissioners, under and in virtue of the aforesaid Tariff, established by the Act aforesaid, of the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter fifty-six, intituled, *An Act to amend a certain Act passed, to provide for the improvement and enlargement of the Harbour of Montreal, and for other purposes*, for wharfage or other dues accruing to such Commissioners, upon any steamers to the said Corporation belonging or by them employed, and any goods, wares, merchandize, packages, produce, horses, horned cattle, sheep, swine or other animals landed from or to be taken on board such steamers in the Harbour of Montreal, and plying between the said Harbour and Laprairie; and also to take and accept, with the assent of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, from the Saint Lawrence and Atlantic Rail-Road Company, such gross sum of money as may be considered a fair equivalent in that behalf, in commutation and satisfaction for all dues accruing to the said Commissioners for the like causes by the Corporation last aforesaid, for or on account of any steamers belonging to or in their employ, plying between the said Harbour of

Montreal and Longueuil: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall have the effect of dispensing with the said Tariff of Rates which shall continue to be levied in the manner provided by the said Act, until after such gross sum of money as the equivalent of such Rates shall have been assented to by His Excellency in Council.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue to be in force until the first day of January next, and from thence to the end of the then next ensuing Session of Parliament, and no longer.