



- " Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the gislative Gouncil.
- " Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

66 N bringing the present Session of the Legislature to a close, it is incumbent on me to express to you the satisfaction I have derived from the cordial unanimity with which you have applied yourselves to the public business, and the laudable attention you have given to various objects of interest to the Province which had been referred to your deliberations.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Treasurer, or any Deputy Treasurer, or Provincial Tide Surveyor, to go on board of any Ship or Vessel in any port or place in any part of this Province, either before or after such Ship or Vessel comes to anchor, and to search all parts of such Ship or Vessel for dutiable Goods, and freely to stay on board such Ship or Vessel so long as such Ship or Vessel shall remain in such port of place, and to search and examine the cargo of such Ship or Vessel; and if the master or person having charge or command of such Ship or Vessel shall refuse to submit to, or prevent or resist, such search or examination, the said master or person in charge or command of such Ship or Vessel shall, on due conviction, forfeit and pay the sum of one hundred pounds.

III. And be it enacted, That the importer or consignee of any goods or articles subject to Duty, (except at the ports or districts of Saint John, Saint Andrews, Saint Stephen, Fredericton, and Woodstock, as in the said recited Act mentioned,) under and by virtue of any Act of the General Assembly of this Province, the Duties upon veich would amount to twenty five pounds or upwards, may have the option either to secure the Duties on the same in the manuer prescribed in and by the said recited Act, or to warehouse such articles, and pay the Duties thereon from time to time as the same may be sold or entered for home consumption, and before delivery thereof; and that the importer or consignee of any Goods or articles subject to Duty in like manner at the ports or districts aforesaid of Saint John, Saint Andrews, Saint Stephen, Fredericton, and Woodstock, the Duties upon which would amount to twenty five pounds or upwards, may warehouse such articles, and pay the Duties thereon from time to time as the same may be sold or entered for home consumption, and before delivery thereof, as in the said recited Act is provided.

" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

" I thank you for the Supplies which you have granted, and my acknowledgements in particular are due to you for the liberal Appropriations you have made for the Militia, and for the pledge you have given to increase them if it should become necessary to embody that force, under the existing Laws, for the defence of the Province, and for maintaining the honor of the Crown.

" Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

" Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Assembly,

" Confiding in the loyalty of the People, and assuring them in return of the most effective support from Her Majesty's Government in any exigency which may arise, I may, nevertheless, be permitted to indulge the hope that the public tranquillity will not be interrupted, and that they may continue in the peaceful pursuit of that career of improvement which has opened to them, and which, by developing the great resources of these Provinces, may be expected to render them amongst the most prosperous and prominent dependencies of the Empire.

" In returning to your several Counties, I rely on you to foster and promote those loyal dispositions by which the People have hitherto testified their sense of the blessings secured to them as British Subjects, and of which, I devoutly hope, under Providence, they may long remain in the undisturbed possession."

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## CAP. LI.

An Act to alter and amend the Act, intituled An Act for the collection of the Revenue of the Province.

### Passed 14th Lpril 1846.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That the ninth, forty seventh and fifty fifth Sections of an Act made and passed in the present year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled An Act for the collection of the Revenue of the Province, be and the same are for the distribution of the said sums of money, for the purpose conhereby repealed.

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IV. And be it enacted, That this Aet shall continue and be in force so long as the Act to which this is an amendment.

#### CAP. LII.

An Act to provide for the necessities occasioned by the failure of the Potato Crop during the past year.

# Passed 14th April 1846.

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6 HEREAS from the failure of the Potato Crop during the 'past year, it is deemed expedient to place a sum of ' money at the disposal of the Justices of the Peace in their respec-' tive Counties, to assist new Settlers and other persons in procuring ' seed the ensuing Spring ;'

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That there be granted to the Justices of the Peace in the following Counties, that is to say :-

The County of

Carleton, two hundred and twenty five pounds; York, one hundred and fifty pounds; Charlotte, three hundred pounds; Kings, two hundred pounds; Saint John, two hundred pounds; Westmorland, three hundred pounds; Albert, one hundred pounds; Kent, two hundred pounds; Northumberland, three hundred pounds ; Gloucester, two hundred pounds; Restigouche, one hundred pounds; Queens, one hundred and fifty pounds; Sunbury, one hundred pounds;

to be by them applied in affording assistance to poor Settlers and other persons in procuring Seed Potatoes the ensuing Spring.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices at any General Sessions, in their respective Counties, or at any Special Sessions of the Peace for that purpose to be holden, at which not less than three fifths of the number of Magistrates of the County shall be present, to appoint fit persons in their respective Counties templated by this Act,