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23. The person in charge, or the owner or consignee of all goods, chattels, horses and cattle imported or brought by land or inland navigation into this Province, shall immediately, or as soon as practicable after such goods, chattels, horses and cattle shall be so brought in as aforesaid, and before bulk be broken, make due report in duplicate of the importation of such goods, chattels, horses and cattle to the Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer or other authorized officer at or nearest the place of such arrival, under oath subscribed by him, which report shall contain an account of the marks, numbers and contents of the different packages or parcels of the goods and chattels, and the number and description of the horses and cattle so imported or brought in, to the best of his knowledge and belief, and the names of the places from which such goods, chattels, horses and cattle respectively were brought, and the names of each and every owner and consignee of such goods, chattels, horses and cattle, and to what part of the Province the same is or are intended to be taken, and whether any and what part of the goods and chattels so imported or brought in have been landed from the carriage or vehicle in which the same were so brought in after arriving in the Province; and if the person in charge, or the owner or consignee of such goods, chattels, horses and cattle after their arrival in this Province shall fail to make such report, or shall make a false report, or shall unload any part of the goods and chattels, or dispose of or put out of their hands any of the said horses or cattle so brought in, before a Warrant or Licence is granted therefor, such person in charge, owner or consignee, shall in each and every case forfeit the sum of twenty five pounds, and the goods, chattels, horses and cattle so brought in shall be forfeited.

24. It shall be lawful for the Treasurer, or any Deputy Treasurer, or Tide Surveyor or other authorized officer, to board any ship in any port or place in any part of this Province, either before or after such ship comes to anchor, and freely to stay on board until all the goods laden therein shall have been duly delivered from the same; and the said officer shall have free access to every part of the ship, with power to fasten down hatchways, and to mark any goods before landing, and to lock up, seal or otherwise secure any goods on board such ship; and if any place, or any box or chest be locked, and the keys withheld, the said officers may open any such place, box or chest in the best manner in their power, and if any goods be found concealed on board any such ship they shall be forfeited; and if any lock, mark or seal be placed upon any goods on board, and such lock, mark or seal be wilfully opened, altered or broken before due delivery of such goods, or if any such goods be secretly conveyed away, or if the hatchways, after having been fastened down by the officer, be opened, the master of such ship shall forfeit the sum of one hundred pounds.

25. It shall be lawful for the Treasurer, or any Deputy Treasurer, or Tide Surveyor or other authorized officer, to station persons on board any ship while within the limits of any part of this Province; and the master of every ship on board of which any officer is so stationed, shall provide every such officer sufficient room under the deck, in some part of the forecastle or steerage, for his bed or hammock, and in case of neglect or refusal so to do, shall forfeit the sum of ten pounds.

26. The master of every ship in which any goods are imported into this Province shall, before any goods or ballast be taken on board to be carried to any place without the Province, or to another port within the Province, deliver to the Treasurer of the Province, or to a Deputy Treasurer or other authorized officer at the port or place where such vessel may be, a certificate from the proper officer of the clearance inwards of the cargo imported in such ship; and if any goods or ballast be taken on board of any ship before the delivery of such certificate, the master shall forfeit the sum of one hundred pounds; provided always, that when it shall become necessary to lade any heavy goods or ballast on board any