BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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NO. 1.

An Ordinance of Indemnity for not enforcing certain Local Taxes of Vancouver Island.

[12*th February*, 1867.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS, in consequence of the extension of the Customs Laws of British Columbia to Vancouver Island, under "The British Columbia Act, 1866" it was found expedient to remit certain Duties leviable under certain Local Laws of Vancouver Island;

Be it enacted by the Governor of British Columbia, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:

Legalizes all remissions of Duty leviable under "Stock and Carcass Act, 1865," and "Harbour Dues Act, 1866."

I. Every act, remission, payment, matter, or thing done, made, or omitted, or to be done, made, or omitted, subsequently to the 19th November, 1866, by any Officer of the Government, whether of Vancouver Island or British Columbia, duly authorized to collect Dues or Taxes under or in relation to either the "Stock and Carcass Act, 1865," or the "Harbor Dues Act, 1866," and until the repeal of the Local Laws so affected, shall be deemed and taken in all Courts and to all intents whatsoever to have been and to be lawfully made, remitted, omitted, and done, respectively.

Indemnifies persons who have made such remissions.

II. Any Person or Persons *bona fide* so acting, collecting, or remitting as aforesaid, shall be and the same is and are hereby freed, discharged, indemnified, and saved harmless, severally and collectively, against all actions, suits, prosecutions, and penalties whatsoever in respect of any such matter, sum, collection, remission, or thing, and the same shall not be questioned in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Civil or Criminal Jurisdiction in this Colony.

Declaration in writing of the Governor to be sufficient evidence and discharge.

III. Every declaration in writing of the Governor or Officer for the time being administering the Government of British Columbia, to the effect that any act, matter, order, sum, collection, remission, or thing specified therein was *bona fide* done, made, paid, collected, or remitted for the public benefit, shall for the purpose of this Ordinance be conclusive evidence of the matters stated therein, and shall be a sufficient discharge and indemnity to all persons mentioned in the said declaration in respect of the act, sum, order, matter, or thing specified therein.

Short Title.

IV. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as the "Imports Indemnity Ordinance, 1867."

Passed the Legislative Council the 5th day of February, A. D. 1867.

CHARLES GOOD,
Clerk.

ARTHUR N. BIRCH,
Presiding Member.

Assented to, in Her Majesty's name, this 12*th day of February*, 1867.

FREDERICK SEYMOUR,
Governor.

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