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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency, JAMES DOUGLAS, Companion of the Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of British Columbia.

PROCLAMATION having the force of Law in Her Majesty's Colony of British Columbia.

WHEREAS, under and by virtue of an Act of Parliament made and passed in the session of Parliament held in the 21st and 22nd years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to provide for the Government of British Columbia," and by a Commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, I, JAMES DOUGLAS, have been appointed Governor of the said Colony, and have been authorized by Proclamation under the Public Seal of the said Colony, to make Laws, Institutions and Ordinances for the peace, order and good government of the same;

Now, therefore, I do hereby declare, proclaim and enact as follows; viz:

1. From and after the 15th day of June now next, there shall be levied, collected and paid at the Port of Queensborough, in the said Colony, for the use of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, as and for tonnage, pilotage and harbour dues on all vessels clearing outwards at the said port for parts beyond sea, or entering inwards at the said port from parts beyond sea, and on the cargoes and contents of such vessels the several sums mentioned in the schedule hereto, in respect of the particulars opposite to such several sums.

2. The fees for Pilotage mentioned in the said schedule shall be paid in full only where the vessel shall have actually made use of the services of a licensed pilot. Where a licensed pilot shall have offered his services to or hailed a vessel leaving or making for the said port and his services shall have been declined, half the dues mentioned in the schedule shall be payable by such vessel to such pilot. Where no licensed pilot shall have been employed or offered his services or hailed such vessel, or where such vessel carries on board as one of her crew a licensed pilot belonging to the said port, no pilotage shall be payable.

3. All monies and dues hereby made payable may be paid to the Collector, who is hereby authorized to demand and enforce payment of all such monies from the master of the vessel in respect whereof such monies are payable, and to give full and complete receipts and discharges for the same.

4. In case of any dispute concerning any monies hereby authorized to be levied and paid or the evasion or attempted evasion of the payment thereof, the amount payable shall be ascertained and recoverable under the provisions of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, so far as such provisions are from local circumstances capable of being applied in the same manner as if the monies hereby made payable were duties of Customs lawfully imposed.

5. From and after the 15th day of June instant, the proclamation of the 5th March last past and every clause and provision therein shall cease and be of none effect, save as to monies and penalties recoverable, payable and enforceable under the same proclamation, previously to the date hereof.

6. In the construction of this proclamation and the schedule hereto, the expression "parts beyond sea," shall include any port upon or beyond the Gulf of Georgia or any of the inlets thereof. The expression "vessels" shall include canoes and boats. The expression "Collector" shall mean the Collector of Her Majesty's duties of Customs at the said port of Queensborough, or in his absence the person for the time being performing the functions of such Collector, and the port of Queensborough shall comprise all the waters, mouths and channels of Fraser river between the deep water of the Gulf of Georgia and a line drawn due North and South through the Eastern extremity of Tree Island.

Issued under the Public Seal of the Colony of British Columbia, this 15th day of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, at Langley, in the said Colony.

JAMES DOUGLAS, [L.S.]

By Command of His Excellency

WILLIAM A. G. YOUNG,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

	£	s.	d.
For every sailing ship or vessel above 30 tons register either entering or leaving the said port, per ton register	0	0	3
For every steam vessel either entering or leaving the said port, per ton register	0	0	2
For every vessel of and under 30 tons, including boats and canoes	0	7	6
For every passenger on board any vessel conveyed to or from parts beyond sea	0	4	0

PILOTAGE, VIZ.

For every vessel clearing for or entering from parts beyond sea, viz;			
If less than six feet draught of water	5	0	0
If more than six feet and less than seven feet draught of water	5	10	0
And for every additional foot of water up to 12 feet	0	10	0
And for every additional foot of water above 12 feet	0	15	0

INLAND NAVIGATION, VIZ.

Every steamer trading on the Fraser River and not trading to any part beyond sea, per ton register per annum	0	2	0