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No. 254.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Levying and Collection of Customs and other Duties in the Northern Territory.

[Assented to, November 17th, 1882.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Preamble. Levying and Collection of Customs and other Duties in the Northern Territory-Be it Enacted by the Governor of the Province of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the said province, in this present Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. This Act may be for all purposes cited as the "Northern Short title. Territory Customs Act, 1882."

2. In the construction and for the purposes of this Act the Interpretation. following terms shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say—

- "Gold" shall mean gold in its natural state, whether mixed with any other substance or not, gold dust, and all other gold, whether wrought or unwrought, excepting the current coin of the realm and articles of jewellery or ornament actually worn upon the person:
- "Exported" shall mean and include transmission of or removal from that portion of the province known as the Northern Territory, whether by sea or land.

3. From and after the passing of this Act all goods enumerated Imposition of duties. in the schedule hereto, which may be imported or brought into that portion

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portion of the said province known as the Northern Territory, shall be chargeable with the several duties of Customs in the said schedule respectively set forth; and in respect of all other goods imported or brought into the said Northern Territory the same duties of Customs shall be chargeable as are chargeable in respect of the like goods under the Act, No. 34 of 1876, intituled "An Act to amend the Laws of the Customs," and an Act, No. 196 of 1881, intituled "An Act to authorise the making of conventions between South Australia and New South Wales, and arrangements between South Australia and Victoria with reference to border duties, and to amend the law relating to the duties of Customs and the mode of collection thereof, and for other purposes," or any Act amending or repealing the said Acts, or either of them.

4. From and after the passing hereof, there shall be raised, levied, collected, and paid to Her Majesty, for the uses of the said province and support of the Government thereof, a duty of one shilling for every ounce troy weight of gold exported from any place in that portion thereof known as the Northern Territory.

5. Before any gold shall be shipped, or water-borne to be shipped, from any place within that portion of the said province known as the Northern Territory, the exporter or his agent shall deliver to the principal or other proper officer of Customs a notice, in such form as the principal or other proper officer of Customs at such place may direct or require, and such principal or other officer shall fix the time and place for the examination of the gold, and after such examination the same shall remain in the charge of some officer of Customs until it shall have been entered for exportation, and the duty thereon shall have been paid.

6. At the time and place of such examination, all gold so examined shall be placed in boxes or other secure packages, approved by such officer, and on the outside of every such box or package shall be marked the weight of the gold therein contained, and the gross weight of such box or package; and such box or packages shall be sealed and secured by an officer of the Customs at the expense of the exporter; and if any such seal shall be broken, or package opened, the package shall be forfeited, and the owner shall forfeit the sum of One Hundred Pounds.

7. Any person who shall falsely make any representation for the purpose of evading, or who shall fraudulently evade, or attempt to evade, any of the provisions of this Act, or who shall infringe any of the regulations to be made hereunder, shall be liable to a penalty of Fifty Pounds, and the gold, or other goods in respect of which such offence shall have been committed shall be forfeited.

8. The Collector of Customs, and all officers of Customs in the said province, are hereby indemnified in respect of any duties of Customs which he or they shall have collected within that portion

Export duty of one shilling per ounce, troy weight, to be levied on gold exported from the Northern Territory.

Notice of exportation of gold.

Gold to be sealed and secured by officer.

Penalties.

Indemnity to Collector of Customs.

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of the said province known as the Northern Territory previous to the passing of this Act, and in respect of any action, claim, or damages to which he or they might otherwise be liable by reason of any refusal to deliver goods without payment of the duties by this Act authorised to be levied.

9. The Governor may from time to time make such regulations. Regulations. as may be necessary for carrying this Act into effect. Such regulations shall, when published in the Government Gazette, have the force of law, and shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within fourteen days after the making thereof, if Parliament be then sitting, and if Parliament be not sitting, then within fourteen days after the commencement of the next Session of Parliament.

10. Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed so as to Act not to affect render any goods, the produce of or manufactured in the Province of South Australia, chargeable with any duties of Customs on being imported or brought into that part of the said province known as the Northern Territory, nor to render any goods imported or brought into the said Northern Territory from any other part of the province in respect of which duties have been paid, chargeable with any further duties, except in the case of goods mentioned in the schedule hereto, in which last mentioned case such goods shall be chargeable with the difference only between the duties so paid as aforesaid and the duties payable under the said schedule.

11. The Act, No. 12 of 1875, intituled "An Act to abolish the Repeal. levying and collection of Customs and other duties in the Northern Territory," and the "Northern Territory Customs Act, 1880," are hereby repealed.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

WM. F. DRUMMOND JERVOIS, Governor.

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