No. IX.

An Act to amend the Law regulating the time allowed for Entering Imported Goods.

[18th December, 1871.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to abridge the time heretofore allowed for Entering Imported Goods, Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:—

1. The Act of Council thirty-first Victoria number twenty-two is hereby repealed but such repeal shall not affect anything done or commenced under the authority of the said Act.

2. The importer owner or consignee of goods shall make entry of such goods before the expiration of the time hereinafter respectively prescribed after the date of entry of the ship importing the same viz.:—

   (1.) For goods imported in any sailing vessel from any port in Queensland Victoria South Australia Tasmania Western Australia New Zealand or the South Sea Islands—twenty-four hours.

   (2.) For goods imported in any steamer from any of the said ports—twelve hours.

   (3.) For goods imported in any sailing vessel from any port other than the said ports—forty-eight hours.

   (4.) For goods imported in any steamer from any port other than the said ports—twenty-four hours.

And the above computation of time shall be exclusive of Sundays and holidays.

3. If the importer owner or consignee of any goods shall not within the time prescribed in the next preceding section after the date of entry of the ship importing the same make entry of such goods the master owner or agent of such ship may immediately on the expiration of such period enter and land such goods and the officers of Customs shall convey the same to the Queen's Warehouse or other approved place of security and if the duties payable on any such goods shall not be paid within three months from the date of landing thereof together with all charges of freight removal and warehouse rent such goods may be sold by the Collector of Customs and the produce thereof applied first to the payment of freight and charges next of duties and the surplus if any shall be paid to the owner of the goods on his application. If goods be not entered within prescribed time officers may land and secure them.

But if any goods so landed shall be of an explosive nature or of a nature so perishable as to render their immediate sale necessary to prevent loss they may be sold forthwith and the produce applied in like manner.

4. This Act may be cited as the "Import Entries Regulation Act 1871."