An Act to regulate the collection and distribution of Duties upon Goods intended for consumption in the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria, carried by way of the River Murray.

[Assented to, 19th November, 1857.]

WHEREAS, by means of the establishment of Steam Communication on the River Murray, a traffic hath arisen between the Province of South Australia and the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria, and goods liable to the payment of duty in the said Province and in the said Colonies respectively, are imported into the said Province, and are conveyed to and landed in such Colonies, for the purpose of consumption there: And whereas, in order to prevent the interruption to such traffic which would arise from the levying of duties upon such goods at the respective places in the said Colonies whereat the same may be landed, it is expedient to authorize the collection of duties in the said Province upon such goods according to any scale of duties which may for the time being be agreed upon with the Governments of the said Colonies, and also the payment of such duties to the said Governments respectively, in such proportions as may from time to time be agreed upon—Be it therefore Enacted, by the Governor-in-Chief 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. An Act No. 6 of 1855-6, intituled "An Act to Regulate the Collection and Distribution of Duties upon Goods intended for consumption in the Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria, carried by way of the River Murray," is hereby repealed, save as regards all things lawfully done or authorized to be done before the passing hercelf.
2. It shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, by Proclamation in the *South Australian Government Gazette*, to make, and from time to time to vary and alter regulations for the entry outwards of all goods liable to duty which shall be intended to be imported into the said Colonies, or either of them, by way of the said River, and for the due discharge of such goods beyond the boundaries of the said Province, and for all such other matters as may be requisite for the due collection of and accounting for all duties payable upon or in respect of such goods.

3. It shall be lawful for the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, from time to time, by Proclamation in the *South Australian Government Gazette*, to prescribe and define, and to alter and vary, the duties which shall be leviable upon any goods imported into the said Province, intended for consumption in the said Colonies, or either of them, or water borne upon the said River Murray, for exportation into the said Colonies, or either of them, in accordance with any tariff for the time being which may be agreed upon by the Governments of the said Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria and to make such regulations as may be necessary for the entry inwards of such goods as shall be declared for consumption in the said Colonies, or either of them, upon importation, and for the transit of the same through the said Province, and for allowing a drawback of any duties which may have been paid upon any such goods in accordance with any tariff for the time being in force in the said Province, and for setting off such drawback against any duties leviable under and by virtue of any such Proclamation as aforesaid; and such Proclamation, when so made, shall have the force of law.

4. It shall be lawful for the Governor, by warrant under his hand, to authorize the payment to the Governments of New South Wales and Victoria respectively, in such proportion as may be agreed upon, of all duties which may be received or collected in the said Province, under the authority hereof, in respect of any goods which shall be imported by way of the said River Murray into the said Colonies of New South Wales and Victoria, or either of them; subject, however, to such charge for collecting the same as may be agreed upon between the Government of the said Province and the Governments of New South Wales and Victoria; and such warrant, and the receipt of any person authorized by the Governors of the said Colonies respectively to receive the same, shall be a sufficient discharge to the person paying any sums mentioned in such warrant and receipt.