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An Act to appropriate a sum of money towards promoting the improvement of the Road of Communication between Saint Joachim and the Bay Saint Paul. (22d. March, 1825.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas it is expedient to appropriate a certain sum of money towards perfecting and keeping in repair the Road of Communication between Saint Joachim and the Bay Saint Paul [Baie-Saint-Paul], wherefore We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of Lower-Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, beseech Your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America' and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that out of any of the unappropriated monies remaining in the hands of the Receiver-General of this Province, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, by a Warrant or Warrants under his hand and seal, to advance a sum of Money not exceeding five hundred pounds currency, for and towards perfecting and keeping in repair the said Road of Communication between Saint Joachim and the Bay Saint Paul, by affording a gratuity not exceeding twenty-five pounds currency, to each one of the eighteen persons who first shall settle themselves on the said Road, at no greater distance from each other than half a league, the said gratuity payable at two periods, the first to consist of the sum of eighteen pounds fifteen shillings, currency, when the said persons severally shall have erected upon their respective lands a habitable house of at least twenty-feet, in length by twenty feet in depth, french measure, with a good barn and stable of twenty feet by twenty feet at least, and cleared, the stumps only excepted, and put under cultivation five acres of land in superficies, the second when the said five acres shall have been covered with a good growth of grass, and two additional acres shall have been cleared as aforesaid, and put under cultivation, the said persons shewing in a satisfactory manner that they have respectively resided, and have held feu et lieu, on their said lands at least one year before the first payment, and two years before the second payment, and that they have kept the Road in repair in front of their respective lands, and in front of the adjacent unconceded lands, not exceeding in all half a league for each person, and the five persons settling and residing on the three leagues, half-way as nearly as can be ascertained on the said Road, shall in addition to the above be entitled to the further gratuity of ten pounds, currency, three fourths whereof shall be paid at the first period of payment as above prescribed, and the remaining fourth at the second period as aforesaid, the said gratuities payable on a report of experts or other satisfactory evidence, and publicly announced as

soon as possible two successive Sundays at the Church doors of the several Parishes in the Counties of Northumberland and Orleans.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies by this Act appropriated, shall be accounted for to His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors shall be pleased to direct.