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An Act to appropriate a Sum of Money therein-mentioned, to enable the Clerks of the Peace to distribute the printed Copies of the Acts of the Legislature, as by Law provided. (29th March, 1826.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN:

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for the distribution of the Printed Copies of the Laws, passed in the Legislature of this Province, as provided by an Act passed in the thirtyfourth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, intituled, "An Act to provide for the publication of certain Laws, and for the printing and distributing to certain persons, for the purpose of public information, all Laws that have been and shall be passed in the Legislature of this Province, under the present Constitution," and by another Act passed in the forty-third year of His said late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the more ample publication of certain Acts of the Provincial Parliament," and by an Act passed in the last Session, chapter five, and to appropriate a certain sum of Money annually during the aforesaid Act for that purpose: May it therefore please 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 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 for making further provision for the Government of the said Province"; And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant- Governor or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, to advance annually during this Act by a Warrant or Warrants, under His hand, from and out of the unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver-General of the province, a sum not exceeding in all seventy-five pounds currency, to the Clerks of the Peace of the several Districts, and in the proportions herein under mentioned, to enable them respectively to perform the duties upon them, by the aforesaid Act passed in the last Session of the Legislature, chapter five, imposed, that is to say: to transmit a sufficient number of printed Copies of the Acts of the Legislature to the several Parsonage Houses, in the Country parishes throughout their respective Districts, and to cause the same to be distributed among the Officers having a right to the same, residing in the Cities or Towns, wherein such Clerks of the Peace respectively reside, as well as to such Officers having a right to such printed Copies as reside in the several Townships within their respective Districts; which said annual sum shall be divided and applied in the several proportions following, that is to say; to the Clerks of the Peace for the District of Quebec, a sum not exceeding twenty- five pounds currency: to the Clerk of the Peace for the District of

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Montreal, a like sum not exceeding twenty-five pounds currency; to the Clerk of the Peace for the District of Three-Rivers [Trois-Rivières], a sum not exceeding ten pounds currency, and to each of the Clerks of the Peace for the Inferior Districts of Gaspe and Saint Francis, a sum not exceeding seven pounds ten shillings currency; and of the expenditure of which said several sums, an account shall be rendered to the Legislature in the course of the first twenty days next after the opening of the ensuing Session thereof.

II. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the sums herein above appropriated for the present year, shall also be applicable and go to defray the expenses incurred or to be incurred in distributing the printed Copies of the Acts of the last, as well as of the present Session.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the moneys 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.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be and remain in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, and no longer.