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7 George IV – Chapter 15

**An Act to carry into effect the purpose of part of a certain Act of the Legislature of this Province, as far as the same respects the erection of a Gaol and Court-Hall at Perce, and to repeal in part the said Act. (7th March, 1827.)**

Whereas it is expedient to carry into effect the purpose of an Act of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the forty-eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, chapter thirty-five, which as far as the same relates to a Gaol and Court-Hall at Perce, in the Inferior District of Gaspé, has hitherto remained uneffected, and to provide funds for the erection or purchase of a suitable building therefor, the rates and duties out of which the expence of building the said intended Gaol and Court-Hall was to have been defrayed, having ceased; May it therefore please Your Majesty that it 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 from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, to advance by a Warrant or Warrants under his hand, out of any unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General of the Province, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, currency, for the purpose of erecting a Gaol and Court-Hall at Perce, in the said Inferior District of Gaspé, with proper dependencies and enclosure surrounding the same, or for purchasing some suitable and substantial stone Building convenient and proper for the purpose, with proper dependencies, the whole enclosed with good and substantial cedar or other pickets; which Gaol and Court-Hall, or stone-Building to be purchased for the purpose shall not exceed forty-eight feet in length by forty feet in depth, and shall consist of two stories and not less, each story to be of a proper height, the whole as well as the picketing enclosing the lot appertaining to the said building, to be finished and made complete and proper for the purpose, a dire d'Experts to be thereunto appointed by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, and delivered to the Sheriff, before the sum hereby appropriated or any part thereof shall be paid, in case of purchase as herein-above provided and enacted.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that in case it shall be necessary to cause the said intended Gaol and Court-Hall to be erected, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government for the time being,

to appoint Commissioners for superintending the erection of a fit and proper building for a Gaol and Court-Hall at Perce aforesaid, not exceeding the dimensions herein-above specified.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the expenses of administration and superintendence by the said Commissioners or others thereunto by them employed, shall not exceed in all twelve pounds, currency.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Gaol, when the same shall have been so erected or purchased as aforesaid, and delivered to the Sheriff of the said Inferior District, or to his deputy, shall, to all intents and purposes of an Act of the Legislature of this Province, of the forty-eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, intituled, "An Act for erecting Common Gaols with Court-Halls in the inferior district of Gaspé," be the Common Gaol for Perce, and of all that part of the said Inferior District eastward and northward of Point Mackarel, at the Bay Chaleur, and on the coast of the Gulf and river St. Lawrence, as far as the said Inferior District extends, and be regulated and provided for accordingly.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the ninth section of the said Act of the forty-eighth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, intituled, "An Act for erecting Common Gaols with Court-Halls in the Inferior District of Gaspé," by which section it is enacted and provided, that the money by the said Act appropriated for building the said Gaol and Court-Hall, should be taken out of the unappropriated monies from the rates and duties imposed and payable under and by virtue of an Act, intituled, "An Act to provide for the erecting of a Common Gaol in each of the Districts of Quebec and Montreal respectively, and the means for defraying the expenses thereof," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the money hereby 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.