

Duration of
the appoint-
ments of Toll
Gatherer.

IX. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the appointment of such Toll Gatherer so to be appointed shall endure for the space of two years, at the expiration of which the Tolls of the said Bridge shall be sold and adjudged by such Commissioner to the highest bidder at the door of the Parish Church of Three Rivers for a space of two years after three weeks public notice to be previously read and affixed at such Church door, and so on successively at the expiration of every two years.

Application of
the money to
be accounted
for to His
Majesty.

X. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies appropriated by this Act, 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 direct : and that a detailed account of the expenditure of all such monies, shall be laid before the several branches of the Provincial Legislature within the first fifteen days of the next Session thereof.

C A P. XII.

AN Act for the appointment of Commissioners to ascertain and report to the Legislature under what provisions it would be expedient to authorise the erection of a Bridge over the River Saint Charles, at the mouth of the said River.

[25th February, 1832.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS James Kerr, Benjamin Tremain, Edward Burroughs, John Racey, Jeremiah Leaycraft, William Phillips, Benson Bennet, William Smith Sewell, Thomas Cary, John Bell, Hypolite Dubord, John Munn, Noah Freer, James Hunt, Louis Massue, Charles Panet, Henry Black, Louis Panet, James White, Duncan McCallum, John Stewart, John Greaves Claphman, Pierre de Sales Laterrière, John Jackson, Robert Dalkin, John Pye Thirlwall, James McKenzie, George Herman Ryland, Charles Turgeon, Pierre Flavien Turgeon, Prêtre, Procureur du Seminaire de Quebec, Narcisse Duchesnay, Edward Henderson, John Henderson, Alexis Gravel, Simon Bedard, Peter Patterson, Paul Rinville, Antoine Laurent dit Lortie, Daniel McCallum and Alexis Derousselle, have by their Petition to the Legislature of the Province of Lower Canada set forth the expediency of erecting a Toll Bridge over the River Saint Charles, at a place situate to the east of that now existing over the said River called Dorchester Bridge, and that it is expedient that such a Bridge should be there erected and the exclusive privilege of erecting such Bridge secured to the Petitioners upon certain conditions ;

Governor to
appoint Com-
missioners for
the purposes of
this Act.

Proviso.

Commissioners
to meet the
Petitioners in
order that such
provisions as
may be neces-
sary to be in-
troduced into
a Law, to give
effect to their
Petition.

Commissioners
to report their
opinion and
that of the Pe-
titioners to the
Legislature.

ditions : Be it therefore 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 it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province by an instrument under his hand and seal to appoint three fit and proper persons to be Commissioners for the purposes of this Act, and such Commissioners or any of them from time to time to remove and to appoint another or others in the room of such as shall be removed or shall die or resign their office ; Provided always that all expences and disbursements whatsoever attending the issuing of the said Commission or incurred in any way whatsoever in carrying this Act into effect shall be defrayed by the said Petitioners ; and that no part or portion thereof shall be paid out of the public monies of the Province.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners or a majority of them shall meet the said Petitioners or any of them where-soever and as often as they shall deem it expedient, and shall with the Petitioners or a majority of them, consider of and agree upon all such provisions, clauses and conditions as they shall deem proper and sufficient to be introduced into a Law for giving effect to the Petition of the said Petitioners in the premises for rendering as secure and convenient as possible the navigation of the River Saint Charles in vessels and boats proceeding up the River for communicating with Saint Rock Suburbs, and for the access of the inhabitants of Quebec to the River from Ramsay Street to the said Bridge and to the Market.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners or a majority of them shall within fifteen days after the opening of the next Session of the Provincial Parliament, report to the same the opinion in which they and the said Petitioners or a majority of them shall have concurred in the premises in order to the adoption of such Legislative measures thereupon as may be expedient for securing to the Petitioners the privilege of erecting a Bridge over the River Saint Charles, as by them prayed for, and upon the terms and conditions that may be deemed requisite.