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An Act to appropriate certain sums of money therein mentioned to the encouragement of Education in this Province. (25th February, 1832.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN.

Whereas it is expedient to appropriate certain sums of money for the encouragement of Education in this Province: 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, 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 Québec 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, by warrant under his hand to take out of any unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General, a sum not exceeding sixty pounds currency, to be paid to the acting members of the Committee of Management of the Montreal Recollect School Institution, towards maintaining the said school; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Society of Education at Three Rivers [Trois-Rivières], towards maintaining their school; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Society of the Montreal Infant School, towards maintaining the said institution; and a further sum not exceeding thirty-eight pounds eleven shillings and four pence currency, to be paid to Ambroise Vinet dit Souigny to reimburse a like sum by him expended in erecting a school house; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Trustees of Elementary Schools in the Parish of Lavaltrie to reimburse a like sum by them expended in erecting a school house: and a further sum not exceeding two hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Committee of Management of the British and Canadian School at Montreal, towards maintaining the said school; and a further sum not exceeding twenty-one pounds thirteen shillings and two pence currency, to be paid to the Trustees of Elementary Schools in the Parish of Beauport, to reimburse one half the costs- of a school house erected by them at the settlement on Lake Beauport; and a further sum not exceeding fifteen pounds currency, to be paid to Augustus Woolf, school master; and a further sum not exceeding four hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Reverend Messire Girouard, founder of the College at Saint Hyacinthe, as an aid towards enabling him to maintain the said institution; and a further sum not exceeding four hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Reverend Messire Mignault, founder of the College at Chambly, as an aid towards enabling him to maintain the said institution: and a further sum

not exceeding four hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Reverend Messire Painchaud, founder of the College of Saint Anne de la Pocatière, as an aid towards enabling him to maintain the said institution; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Trustees of the Academy, at Charlestown, as an aid towards the maintenance of the said Academy: and a further sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty pounds currency, to the Trustees of the Stanstead Seminary, as an aid towards maintaining the said establishment; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Society of Education at Berthier, as an aid towards maintaining their school; and a further sum not exceeding two hundred and thirty pounds currency, to be paid to the Society of Education in the District of Québec, as an aid towards maintaining their school; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency to be paid to the said Society, as an aid towards maintaining the girls school lately established by their direction and under the management of a Society of Ladies; and a further sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Committee of Management of the British and Canadian School at Québec, for the following purposes, that is to say, a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds currency, towards maintaining their school for boys, a sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, towards maintaining their school for girls, and a sum not exceeding five pounds currency, to the master of the said British and Canadian School, for every pupil (the number of such pupils not exceeding ten,) whom he shall instruct and qualify for teaching and managing a school according to the system and method followed by the said master, after such pupils shall respectively have undergone a public examination as to their qualification; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to William Morris, teacher of the British and Canadian School at Québec, as an aid towards publishing a book of arithmetic, geometry and book-keeping, provided that the edition be struck at no less than one thousand copies and that the whole substantially bound be sold at a price which shall not exceed two shillings currency per copy; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Trustees of Saint Andrews School at Québec, as an aid towards maintaining their school; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Committee of Management of the Québec Mechanic's Institute, as a gift for the present year: and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Literary and Historical Society of Québec, as an aid towards defraying their unavoidable expences during the present year; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred pounds currency, to be paid to Joseph Lancaster, as an aid towards maintaining his school; and a further sum not exceeding five pounds currency, to be paid to the said Joseph Lancaster for every individual (not exceeding ten in number,) whom he shall instruct and qualify for teaching and managing a school according to the method and system followed by him; and a further sum not exceeding two hundred pounds currency, to be paid to the Trustees of the Saint Jacques School at Montreal, as a gift to the school under their management; and a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency, to be paid to the Fabrique of the mission of Sault au Recollet, towards paying part of the cost of the school house erected by the said Fabrique, near the church of the said mission at Sault au Recollet; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds currency, to be paid to Joseph Francois Perrault, Esquire, as an aid, one half towards maintaining his boys school, and one half towards maintaining his girls school; and a further sum not exceeding one

hundred and eleven pounds two shillings and two pence currency, to be paid to the Committee of Management of the National School at Québec, as an aid towards maintaining the said school.

II. And whereas doubts have arisen whether the provisions and benefit of so much of a certain Act passed in the first year of the Reign of His present Majesty and intituled, "An Act to make further provision for the encouragement of Education in this Province, and to amend two certain Acts therein mentioned," as appropriates a certain sum of money not exceeding four thousand pounds currency towards paying one half the cost of the school houses with respect to which certain conditions therein mentioned shall have been complied with, for the removal of such doubts, be it further enacted and declared by the authority aforesaid, that from and out of the said sum of four thousand pounds currency, only, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government, to advance and pay such sums as shall be necessary to pay one half the cost (provided such half do not exceed the sum of fifty pounds currency;) of any school built by and at the expense of, being the property of the Fabrique of any Parish in this Province, under the expectation that one half of the costs thereof would be so paid by virtue of the Provincial Acts in force at the time of the passing of the Act herein last above cited; and also one half the cost of any school house situate at the distance of one league at least from any other school house, and built according to the provisions of the said Acts by and at the expense of any Fabrique as aforesaid on any land being the property of such Fabrique and raised and covered in, or for which a lot of ground was conveyed and made over by an authentic instrument in writing to such Fabrique before the first day of February one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, although the building may not have been completed on the said day, provided it shall have been so completed during the said year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the sum of fifty pounds currency appropriated by the Act herein last above cited, to be paid to each body of Trustees who might be elected in the Parishes or Missions of Saint Martin, Saint Clement and Saint Timothée, in the Seigniory of Beauharnois, shall be paid to each of the said bodies of Trustees, for the purpose of being by them applied to aid in paying for the building of the schoolhouse or of the school houses, erected in each of the said Parishes or Missions under the direction of each body of Trustees respectively during the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, any thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

IV. And be it declared and further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the masters of any school in the Parish of Montreal, but without the limits of the City of Montreal, and the master of any school in the Banlieue of the City of Québec or of the Town of Three Rivers respectively, being duly established and under the direction of Trustees, are entitled to and shall receive the allowance (and the arrears thereof, if any,) to which the masters of schools in the country parts (les campagnes) of this Province are by law entitled.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every person to whom shall be entrusted the expenditure of any portion of the monies hereby appropriated, shall make up detailed accounts of such expenditure, showing the sum advanced to the Accountant, the sum actually expended, the balance, if any, remaining in his hands, and the amount of the monies hereby appropriated to the purpose for which such advance shall have been made, remaining unexpended in the hands of the Receiver General, and that every, such account shall be supported by Vouchers therein distinctly referred to by numbers, corresponding to the numbering of the Items in such account, and shall be made up to and closed on the tenth day of April and tenth day of October in each year, during which such expenditure shall be made, and shall be attested before a Justice of the Court of King's Bench or a Justice of the Peace, and shall be transmitted to the Officer whose duty it shall be to receive such account, within fifteen days next after the expiration of the said periods respectively.

VI. 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 all such monies shall be laid before the several branches of the Provincial Legislature, within the first fifteen days of the next Session thereof.