

C A P. XLVIII.

AN ACT to appropriate a certain sum of money therein mentioned for the Encouragement of Agriculture.

(14th March, 1829.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to appropriate a certain sum of money for the encouragement of Agriculture, 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 late 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 for the time being, to advance and pay by Warrant or Warrants under his hand a sum not exceeding one thousand six hundred pounds, currency, out of the unappropriated monies in the Hands of the Receiver General of this Province, for the encouragement of Agricultural Improvement in this Province, for the present year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, which said sum shall from time to time be advanced and paid as may be deemed necessary, to the Agricultural Societies for the Districts of Quebec, Montreal, Three Rivers and Gaspé, and in the proportions herein after stated for each respectively, as follows, that is to say, for the uses of the Counties in those Districts respectively, as follows, that is to say—To the Agricultural Society of Quebec, three hundred and fifty-five pounds currency; To the Agricultural Society of Montreal seven hundred and sixty pounds currency; To the Agricultural Society of Three-Rivers, eighty-five pounds currency. To the Agricultural Society of Gaspé, fifty pounds currency; and a further sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds currency, for the said Agricultural Society of the District of Quebec; a further sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds currency, for the said Agricultural Society for the District of Montreal; a further sum not exceeding fifty pounds currency for the said Agricultural Society for the District of Three Rivers. The same to be applied by the said Societies for their general purposes respectively.

£1600 granted for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The sum divided between the several Districts.

A certain sum of money to be allowed by the Agricultural Societies to County Agricultural Societies, for the purpose of granting premiums at the public Exhibitions.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that out of the said monies there may be allowed by the said Agricultural Societies respectively to any County Agricultural Society formed or to be formed in any County or Division of any County within the District, such reasonable sum or sums as may be deemed expedient, which shall by the said County Agricultural Societies respectively, be expended and applied for Premiums awarded by each of the said Societies at public exhibitions held and made pursuant to notice given in the most public manner in the County where such Exhibitions are to take place under the superintendance of such County Agricultural Societies.

Such allowance to be made in proportion to the population of such Counties but not to be payable, until such Society is formed and if not then the money to remain at the disposal of the Legislature.

III. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the allowance to be made to any such subordinate or County Agricultural Society shall be in proportion to the population of such County, and not exceed the amount of the population of the several Parishes, Townships or Settlements having one or more resident Members in the Committee of Management of such Society, paying an annual subscription towards the funds thereof not less than five shillings currency; and that all monies which might be advanced under this Act for the benefit of any County, division or part of a County, but which owing to the want of a subordinate or County Agricultural Society therein, shall not therefore be for the present year advanced, but shall remain unexpended, may at any time during the three years next hereafter, be advanced and paid over for the purposes thereof to any such Society that may in the mean time be formed in such County. Division or part of a County in the proportion of the population of such Division or County; but if such Society shall be so in the mean time formed, then the money that shall have been reserved for such County, shall thereafter remain at the disposal of the Legislature.

Not to be paid to such Society except on certain conditions.

IV. Provided always and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no such sum of money shall be advanced or paid over to any such subordinate or County Agricultural Society until such Society shall have undertaken to account to the Agricultural Society of the District, for the application of the same pursuant to this Act.

The expenses and disbursements, for conveyance only allowed in certain cases, and under certain restrictions.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said District Societies respectively, may, out of the monies hereby appropriated, allow the expences and disbursements for conveyance only, which any of their Members appointed to visit any or all of the subordinate Agricultural Societies in their respective Districts may incur once a year, for the purpose of aiding or assisting in the formation or arrangement of such Societies, but that no compensation or allowance

allowance of any kind shall be made from or out of the said monies to any Member or Officer of any such District Society for any other expenses incurred and disbursed or for any other services under any pretext whatever than those above mentioned by any Member or Officer of any such District Society or Subordinate Society as aforesaid.

Expenses of
management,
&c. allowed.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said several District Agricultural Societies may from and out of the monies hereby appropriated expend for the purposes following, that is to say, for the expenses of the management, publication, correspondence and accounting of the Society a sum not exceeding an equal amount to the sum raised by the said Society by voluntary contribution for and towards those purposes.

Members of
the Legislature
and resident
clergy to
be honorary
Members of
the societies.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Members of the Legislature and the resident Clergy shall be honorary Members of the District Agricultural Society for the District within which they respectively reside, and they shall in like manner be honorary Members of the Subordinate or County Societies of the County wherein they may respectively reside and shall as such be notified in writing of the time and place of the meeting of such Societies. Provided always that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any such Member of the Legislature or resident Clergyman from becoming a Member if he shall so think proper.

Proviso.

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Quebec and
Montreal, the
only Societies
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Montreal.

VIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the several District Agricultural Societies for Quebec and Montreal shall be the only Societies that shall under this Act be acknowledged or recognized as Agricultural Societies for the respective Counties wherein they are respectively established, that is to say, for the County of Quebec and the County of Montreal.

District Socie-
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their proceed-
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IX. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the several District Societies shall report their proceedings, with such observations tending to the improvement of the Agriculture of the Province as they may think proper or useful, and shall account to the Legislature within fifteen days next after the opening of the next Session for the manner in which the monies hereby appropriated shall have been applied and expended.

Application
of the money
to be account-
ed for to His
Majesty.

X. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies hereby appropriated shall be accounted for to His Majesty,
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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.

C A P. XLIX.

AN ACT further to continue, for a limited time, an Act passed in the third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to erect certain Townships therein-mentioned, into an Inferior District, to be called the Inferior District of Saint Francis, and to establish Courts of Judicature therein."

(14th March, 1829.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to continue, for a limited time, an Act passed in the third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to erect certain Townships therein-mentioned, into an Inferior District to be called the Inferior District of Saint Francis, and to establish Courts of Judicature therein," the duration whereof is limited to the first day of May, of the present year, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine; 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 the said Act passed in the third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to erect certain Townships therein-mentioned into an Inferior District to be called the Inferior District of Saint Francis, and to establish Courts of Judicature therein," and all and every the matters and things therein-mentioned and contained shall further continue to be and remain in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, and no longer.

Act 3, Geo.
4, cap. 17,
continued.

This Act
may be alter-
ed &c. during
the present
Session.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act may be altered, amended or repealed in the present Session.

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