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An Act for appointing Commissioners to treat with Commissioners appointed or to be appointed on the part of the Province of Upper-Canada, for the purposes therein-mentioned. (14th March, 1829.)

Whereas it is expedient that Commissioners be appointed to meet such Commissioners as are or may be hereafter appointed on the behalf of the Province of Upper-Canada, to treat of and report upon matters of common concern to both Provinces; 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 for making further provision for the Government of the said Province;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Honorable Pierre Dominique De Bartzeh, and Louis Joseph Papineau and John Neilson, Esquire, shall be, and the same are hereby constituted and appointed Commissioners on the part of this Province, and they or any two of them are authorized and empowered to meet such Commissioners as are or hereafter may be appointed on the part of the Province of Upper-Canada, and to treat, consult upon and report on matters of common concern to both the said Provinces, respecting the imposing and collecting of duties on importations, the improvement of the navigation of the Rivers Saint Lawrence and Ottawa, and Roads of Communication between the two Provinces.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners to require Returns to be furnished to them by the proper public officers, and to send for and examine such persons, papers and records, as they shall judge necessary for their information in the execution of the powers vested in them by this Act.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared by the authority aforesaid, that no matter or thing so proposed, treated or consulted upon, shall have conclusive force and effect, or be carried into execution, until the same shall have been confirmed by the Legislatures of both Provinces.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Commissioners herein-above named and appointed, shall, with all convenient speed report their conferences and regulations and other matter connected with their trust to His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, and to both Houses of the Legislature of this Province.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, to advance to the said Commissioners a sum of money not exceeding three hundred pounds, currency, for the payment of the expences which may be incurred by them in the execution of the duties assigned to them by this Act, and for the necessary writing, printing, surveys, plans and documents, which may be required for that purpose, of which expences and disbursements a true and correct account shall be annexed to their report.

VI. 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, 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.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act and the powers and authorities thereby given, shall continue in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, and no longer.