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10 & 11 George IV – Chapter 32

An Act to repeal a certain Act therein-mentioned, and for the encouragement of the Trade and intercourse between the Ports of this Province and Halifax. (26th March, 1830.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas it is expedient that more effectual encouragement be offered for the establishment of an easy direct intercourse by means of Steam Vessels, between this Province and the Province of Nova Scotia, and that a certain Act passed in the fifth year of Your Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "An Act for the encouragement of Trade and intercourse between the Port of Quebec and Halifax," be repealed; May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the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 Quebec in North America,' and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Act passed in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, be and the same hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person Administering the Government to issue his Warrant for the payment out of any unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General, of a sum not exceeding three thousand pounds currency, which sum, shall be paid in the manner and under the provisions hereinafter set forth to the person or company who shall first cause a steam vessel of not less than five hundred tons burthen, to be regularly navigated for four successive years (the first of which may commence in all the month of August) between the Port of Quebec and other Ports in the River Saint Lawrence, and the Port of Halifax, during such part of the year as the navigation between the said Ports shall remain safe and open, the dangers of the navigation always excepted.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that of the sum hereby appropriated, the sum of one thousand two hundred and fifty pounds currency, shall be paid to the person or company immediately after the close of the first season during which the said vessel shall have been so navigated; a further sum of one thousand pounds currency, immediately after the close of the second season, during which such vessel shall have been so navigated; and the remaining sum of seven hundred and fifty pounds currency,

immediately after the close of the third season, during which such vessel shall have been so navigated.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no such payment or advance, shall, be so made at the close of any season, unless the said vessel and machinery shall have, been insured until the close of the season the next following, in a sum not less than the said sum then to be advanced, and also any sum previously advanced.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, shall have a special privilege and lien on the said vessel and the machinery therein, and on the sum which maybe recovered from the Insurers in case of the loss or partial loss of the said vessel, for the repayment of any sum or sums advanced and paid under the authority of this Act, if the said vessel shall not be so regularly navigated during four successive years as aforesaid, and that such privilege and lien shall date from the passing of this Act, and shall have preference over every other privilege, lien, or claim whatsoever.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that such repayment (if any there be,) shall be made to the Receiver-General of this Province, and the sum or sums so repaid, shall remain in his hands, and await the disposal of the Provincial Legislature for the public uses of the Province.

VII. 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 be pleased to direct.