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10 & 11 George IV – Chapter 39

An Act to appropriate certain sums of money for more completely exploring certain parts of this Province. (26th March, 1830.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOCEREIGN,

Whereas it is expedient to appropriate a certain sum of money for the purpose of completing the exploring of the remote parts of the District of Quebec, for exploring the country lying between the River Saint Maurice and the River Ottawa, in rear of the existing settlements, and ascertaining whether it be practicable and convenient to open a road from same point on the River Saint Maurice to the Township of Grenville or some other Township on the River Ottawa, and for exploring the said countries generally; and also for making up and paying divers sums of money remaining due and unpaid upon the exploring of that part of the Province to the North of the River and Gulf of Saint Lawrence, commonly called the King's Posts, and the country adjacent to the same, as far as the River Saint Maurice, in the District of Three Rivers [Trois-Rivières], had by virtue of an Act passed in the Ninth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to appropriate certain sums of money, for more completely exploring certain parts of the Province:" Whereby a sum of five hundred pounds currency, was appropriated for that purpose, the whole of which hath been expended, leaving certain sums of money still due and owing in respect thereof: 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 of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government, by Warrant or Warrants under his hand, to advance and pay a sum not exceeding five hundred pounds currency, from and out of the unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver-General, for making up and paying divers sums of money remaining due and unpaid upon the exploring of that part of the Province to the north of the Gulf of Saint Lawrence, commonly called the King's Posts, and the country adjacent to the same, as far as the River Saint Maurice, in the District of Three-Rivers, had by virtue of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to appropriate certain sums of money, for more completely exploring certain parts of the Province:" whereby a sum of five hundred pounds currency, was appropriated for that purpose, the whole of which hath been expended, leaving certain sums of money still due and owing in respect thereof; and for completing the

exploring of the remote parts of the District of Quebec: Also, a further sum not exceeding five hundred pounds currency, for exploring the country lying between the River Saint Maurice and the River Ottawa, in rear of the existing settlements, and for ascertaining whether it be practicable and convenient to open a road from some point on the River Saint Maurice, to the Township of Grenville, or some other Township on the River Ottawa, and for exploring the said Countries generally.

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 nominate and appoint such fit and proper person and persons as he shall think fit for exploring the said tracts of country, and in such manner, as he shall deem most expedient for obtaining a full and accurate knowledge of the said Tracts of country.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that there shall be laid before the Legislature, at the ensuing Session thereof; by the person or persons employed pursuant to this Act, a detailed and circumstantial report of their several proceedings, the routes they have severally taken and pursued, the discoveries they may respectively have made, accompanied with explanatory maps or plans, the nature and character of the soil and countries they may have visited, their vegetables and mineral productions, and capability for the purposes of agriculture, as well as all such other and further observations as they may deem expedient, proper, or useful in any respect, to be known and made public.

IV. 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 Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, his heirs and successors shall direct.