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6 William IV – Chapter 58

**An Act to provide means for putting the Steam Dredging Vessel into operation. (21st March, 1836.)**

Whereas it is expedient to make further provision for carrying into effect a certain Act passed in the tenth and eleventh years of the Reign of His late Majesty George the Fourth, Chapter nineteen, intituled, "An Act to appropriate a certain sum of money for the purchase of a Steam Dredging Vessel":— 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 the Commissioners who shall be appointed by any Act to be passed during the present Session of the Provincial Parliament, to superintend the improvement of the Harbour of Montreal, shall also carry into effect the said Act of the tenth and eleventh years of George the Fourth, Chapter nineteen, and also another Act passed in the first year of His present Majesty, Chapter forty-one, intituled, "An Act to appropriate a further sum of money for the purchase of Steam Dredging Vessel," in so far as the enactments of the said Acts shall not have been fully and entirely carried into effect, and the said Commissioners shall also carry this Act into effect.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall be lawful for the person administering the Government of the Province to advance to the said Commissioners, out of any unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver General, such sum not exceeding two thousand six hundred pounds currency, as with the balance remaining unexpended out of the sums appropriated by the two Acts hereinbefore mentioned, (which balance shall be paid over to such Commissioners by the person to whom it shall appertain so to do,) shall be found sufficient to defray the costs of a proper Vessel to receive the machinery purchased under the authority of the two Acts aforesaid, and the cost of the Barges and other appurtenances necessary to the full and effective operation of the Steam Dredging Vessel, according to the intent of the Act herein first above cited.

III. 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.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that 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 the expenditure 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.