

The Provincial Statutes of Lower-Canada, Being the fifth session of the Special Council, begun and holden at the City of Quebec, in the said Province of Lower Canada, the eleventh day of November, 1839. Quebec: John Carleton Fisher & William Kemble, Law Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1839.

3 Victoria – Chapter 22 (Session 5)

An Ordinance to make provision for defraying the Civil Expenditure of the Provincial Government, for the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty; for the support of certain Charitable Institutions; for the promotion of Education; for certain Public Works; for the improvement of Internal Communications; for the encouragement of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Whereas it is expedient to make provision for defraying the expenses of Her Majesty's Civil Government of this Province, and of the administration of therein, for the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, and for the several purposes hereinafter mentioned:—Be it therefore Ordained and Enacted by His Excellency the Governor of the Province of Lower Canada, by and with the advice and consent of the Special Council for the affairs of the said Province, constituted and assembled by virtue and under the authority of an Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the first year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to make temporary provision for the Government of Lower Canada;" and it is hereby Ordained and Enacted by the authority of the same, that from and out of any unappropriated monies which now are, or may hereafter come into the hands of the Receiver General of this Province for the time being, there shall be paid and applied towards defraying the expenses of the Civil Government of this Province, incurred or to be incurred during the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, such sum or sums, as together with the sums which may then be in the hands of the Receiver General, and at the disposal of the Crown, for the purposes aforesaid, shall amount to a sum not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand three hundred and twenty-three pounds, seven shillings and one penny, sterling,

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II. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and out of any unappropriated monies which now are, or may hereafter come into the hands of the Receiver General of this Province for the time being, there shall be paid and applied for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, the following sums, that is to say:—

To defray the pay and contingent expenses of the Police Force of the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, for the year ending in the month of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding twelve thousand nine hundred pounds, sterling,

£12,900 0 0

To defray the Salaries of the Stipendiary Magistrates, and the pay and contingent expenses of the Rural Police Force, in the Districts of Montreal and Three Rivers [Trois-Rivières], for the same period, a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand four hundred and fifty-one pounds eleven shillings and five pence, sterling,

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To defray certain extra contingent expenses of the Office of the Provincial Secretary, a sum not exceeding two hundred and thirty pounds, sterling,

230 0 0

To defray certain extra expenses of the Office of the Surveyor General, for assistance in bringing up the business of the said Office, which had fallen into arrear, a sum not exceeding three hundred pounds, sterling,

300 0 0

To defray certain Fees due to the Clerk of the Executive Council, on Petitions from Militiamen who served during the last war with the United States, and have claimed grants of Crown Lands, a sum not exceeding two hundred pounds, sterling,

200 0 0

To defray the expense of certain Special Services to the Civil Government of this Province, a sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, sterling,

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III. And whereas it is expedient to appropriate the sums of money hereinafter mentioned, for the purposes and towards the support of the several Charitable Institutions also hereinafter mentioned; for the promotion of Education; for certain Public Works; for the improvement of the Internal Communications of the Province; for the encouragement of Agriculture; and for certain other objects and purposes of public utility and advantage: Be it therefore further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, to advance and pay, from time to time, by Warrant under his hand and out of any unappropriated monies which may then be in the hands of the Receiver General, the following sums for the purposes and to the persons hereinafter mentioned, that is to say In support of Charitable Institutions:

To the Commissioners appointed for the relief of Insane persons, and the support of Foundlings and Indigent Sick persons, in the District of Quebec, to defray expenses incurred or to be incurred by them for the said objects, during the year ending on the said tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding one thousand six hundred pounds, sterling,

£ 1600 0 0

To the Commissioners appointed for the relief of Insane persons and the support of Foundlings and Indigent Sick persons, in the District of Montreal, to defray expenses incurred or to be incurred by them for the said objects; during the year ending on the said tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding one thousand one hundred and fifty pounds, sterling,

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To the Commissioners, appointed for the relief of Insane persons, and the support of Foundlings and Indigent Sick persons in the District of Three Rivers, to defray the sums by them due for expenses incurred for the said objects, during the year ended on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, a sum not exceeding two hundred and five pounds and seven pence, sterling,

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To the same Commissioners, for defraying the expenses by them incurred or to be incurred for the said objects, during the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding six hundred and eighty pounds, sterling,

£680 0 0

To the Corporation of the General Hospital at Montreal, towards defraying the current expenses of that Institution, during the present year, a sum not exceeding nine hundred pounds, sterling,

900 0 0

To the Managers of the Female Orphan Asylum at Quebec, towards the support of that Institution, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

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To the Managers of the Montreal Protestant Orphan Asylum, towards the support of that Institution, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

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To the Managers of the Ladies Benevolent Society at Montreal, towards the support of the Widows and Orphans under their care, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

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To the Managers of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum at Quebec, towards the support of that Institution, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

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To the Managers of the Male Orphan Asylum at Quebec, towards the support of that Institution, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling

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To the Charitable Ladies of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum at Montreal, as an aid, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

90 0 0

To the Commissioners of the Emigrant Hospital at Quebec, to enable them to receive into that Hospital, persons labouring under Contagious diseases, a sum not exceeding two hundred and seventy pounds, sterling,

270 0 0

For the promotion of Education:

Towards the support of divers Scholastic Institutions, and for the promotion of Education throughout this Province, during the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding two thousand six hundred and twenty-six pounds ten shillings, sterling,

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To Augustus Wolff, for his Pension as a superannuated Schoolmaster under the Royal Institution, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding thirteen pounds ten shillings, sterling,

13 10 0

To defray the balance of certain expenses necessarily incurred in causing the several School Districts in this Province, (those of Gaspe excepted) to be visited, in order to obtain accurate information as to the state of the School Houses, for the erection or purchase of which public money has been granted, a statement of the Schools (if any) now kept in the said School Districts, the Teachers and number of Scholars, the Branches of Education taught, the Books used, and the manner in which such Schools are supported, a sum not exceeding two hundred and seventy pounds, sterling,

270 0 0

To the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, as an aid towards defraying their expenses for the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five pounds, sterling,

45 0 0

To the Natural History Society of Montreal, as an aid to-wards defraying their expenses during the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five pounds, sterling,

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To the Committee of Management of the Mechanics Institute at Quebec, as an aid for the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five pounds, sterling,

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To the Committee of Management of the Mechanics Institute at Montreal, as an aid for the present year, a sum not exceeding forty-five pounds, sterling,

45 0 0

To the Medical Faculty of McGill College at Montreal, towards defraying the expenses attending their Medical Lectures during the years one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, and one thousand eight hundred and forty, a sum not exceeding nine hundred pounds, sterling

900 0 0

For Public Works, the improvement of the Internal Communications of the Province, the encouragement of Agriculture, and for other purposes:

Towards defraying the expense of continuing the repairs and improvements on the Road from this Province to the Province of New Brunswick, a sum not exceeding two thousand two hundred and fifty pounds, sterling,

22500 0 0

For completing the repairs and improvements on the New Hill at Pointe Levi, made by the Commissioners for Internal Improvements, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, a sum not exceeding four hundred pounds, sterling,

400 0 0

For continuing the improvements on the Post Road by the Kennebec to the State of Maine, a sum not exceeding seven hundred and sixty pounds, sterling,

760 0 0

To pay the allowance to Pierre Brochu, for residing on the Kempt Road from Metis to Ristigouche, for the present year, a sum not exceeding twenty-two pounds ten shillings, sterling,

22 0 0

To defray the expense of erecting a Bridge over the Cap Rouge River, in the District of Quebec, in addition to the sum heretofore granted and found insufficient, a sum not exceeding one hundred and eighty-five pounds eight shillings, sterling,

185 8 0

To defray the expense of constructing Drains and Water Closets at the Montreal Gaol, a sum not exceeding six hundred and seventy-five pounds, sterling,

675 0 0

To defray the expense of rendering fire proof the Vaults of the Court House at Montreal, a sum not exceeding one hundred and seventy-five pounds ten shillings, sterling,

175 10 0

To defray the expense of rebuilding the Bridge over the River Delisle, in the County of Vaudreuil, in the District of Montreal, a sum not exceeding two hundred and seventy pounds, sterling,

270 0 0

To defray the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Commissioners for investigating the claims of certain loyal inhabitants of this Province, for losses sustained during the late Rebellion, from the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, to the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and forty, (being the day assigned for the close of their operations,) a sum not exceeding one thousand nine hundred pounds, sterling,

1900 0 0

On account of the amount of Indemnities awarded by the said Commissioners for losses so sustained as aforesaid during the late Rebellion, a sum not exceeding eight thousand six hundred and thirty-seven pounds six shillings and nine pence, sterling,

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To defray the balance due for Postage for the several Departments of the Civil Government, for the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, a sum not exceeding one thousand one hundred pounds, sterling,

1100 0 0

To defray the Salary of the Deputy Collector of the Customs at Philipsburg (depending on the Port of St, John's), for the year ending on the tenth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, a sum not exceeding ninety pounds, sterling,

90 0 0

To defray the Salary of a Landing Waiter at the said Port, for the same period, a sum not exceeding thirty-six pounds, sterling,

36 0 0

To defray the Allowance to the Deputy Collector at that Port, for the Rent of a Custom House, a sum not exceeding twenty-two pounds ten shillings, sterling,

22 10 0

To the Agricultural Society of the District of Quebec, a sum not exceeding one hundred and eighty pounds, sterling, out of which the Agricultural Society for the County of Quebec shall receive its proportion,

180 0 0

Towards defraying the expense of certain improvements in the navigation of the River Ottawa, at the Sainte Anne's Rapids, in the District of Montreal, a sum not exceeding five thousand pounds, sterling,

IV. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Agricultural Society of the District of Montreal may, and they are hereby authorised to appropriate a balance of two hundred and twenty-six pounds, currency, remaining in their hands out of certain public monies heretofore granted to the said Society, and to divide and pay the same, in due proportion, to and among the Agricultural Societies of such Counties in the said District, as may have established such Societies.

V. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Commissioners appointed or to be appointed for the improving the Post Road by the Kennebec to the State of Maine, may, and they are hereby authorised to change the place and line of that part of the Road in the Parish of Saint Henri de Lauzon, which lies between the top of the hill and the land of one Jean B. Couture, and the top of the hill at the Grist Mill in the said Parish, by making a new road along the high ground in that neighbourhood, so as to avoid the hills on the present road; and such new road, being once made and completed by the said Commissioners, shall, as well as the bridges thereon, be kept in repair and maintained by such persons and in such proportions as shall be determined by the Proces Verbal which may be made in that behalf by the Grand Voyer for the District of Quebec, (when thereunto legally required) and homologated in due form of law.

VI. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the several sums hereby appropriated, with regard to which no provision is made by this Ordinance, or by any other Act or Ordinance, as to the persons or officers to whom such sums shall be respectively advanced, or under whose superintendence they shall be expended, may be advanced to and expended by such persons or officers, and under such instructions and regulations as the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, shall think fit to appoint, issue and make.

VII. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that each and every the persons, societies, and officers respectively, to whom the expenditure of any portion of the monies hereby appropriated shall be entrusted, shall make up and transmit to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, detailed reports of their proceedings in that behalf, at any time or times when he shall think it expedient to require or demand any such report.

VIII. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that each and every person to whom shall be entrusted the expenditure of any portion of the public monies hereby appropriated, or authorised to be expended, shall make up detailed accounts of such expenditure, shewing 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 each and every such account shall be supported by vouchers therein distinctly referred to by numbers corresponding to the numbering of the

items of such account, and shall be made up to and closed on the tenth day of April, and the tenth day of October, in each and every 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 the same, within fifteen days after the said periods respectively.

XI. And be it further Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies hereby appropriated, shall be accounted for to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors shall be pleased to direct.

C. POULETT THOMSON.

Ordained and Enacted by the authority aforesaid, and passed in Special Council, under the Great Seal of the Province, at the Government House, in the City of Montreal, the Thirteenth day of May, in the third year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty.

By His Excellency's Command,
W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Special Council.