

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday the Sixth day of February, 1812, and continued by several Prorogations to Thursday the Fifth day of February 1818, in the Fifty-Eighth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Eighth Session of the Tenth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.

58 George III – Chapter 16

An Act to regulate the payment of the Monies due to the Province for Provisions supplied to the Inhabitants, and to apply the same to the service of Roads and Bridges.

Whereas it is necessary and expedient that the sum of 6,000l. due to the Province under the act, passed in the fifty-seventh year of His present Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for the Importation of certain kinds of grain, flour and meal, and for furnishing the same to such settlers within the Province as are in indigent circumstances, owing to the failure of crops," be applied in payment of a part of the appropriations for the service of roads and bridges in the several counties and districts, in the present year.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that the sum of 812l. 7s. 3d. from the county of Sydney;

1,290l. 15s. 10d. from the district of Pictou;

429l. 8s. for the district of Colchester;

623l. 2s. 5d. from the county of Halifax;

439l. 13s. 4d. from the county of Cumberland;

542l. 1s. 6d. from the county of Hants;

470l. 16s. 5d. from the county of King's County;

612l. 19s. 1d. from the county of Annapolis;

185l. 2s. 11d. from the district of Yarmouth;

192l. 18s. 10d. from the rest of the county of Shelburne;

202l. 11s. 11d. from the county of Queen's County;

198l. 2s. 6d. from the county of Lunenburg; be expended and applied to the service of roads and bridges in the several counties and districts, where the same are severally due, as aforesaid.

II. And be it further enacted, that the persons who are indebted in the several counties and districts aforesaid, for provisions, shall be at liberty to discharge the amount of their debts, by performing labour on the roads and bridges, under the direction of the commissioners for roads, in or near the several townships or districts where such debtor resides; provided the same shall be performed on the roads and bridges, at such times and places as shall be pointed out by the commissioners, on or before the first day of August next; and if the same shall not be then discharged by labour as aforesaid or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the commissioners, the treasurer of the said several counties and districts shall enforce the collection of such debts as by law directed.

III. And be it further enacted, that the Justices of the Peace, in the courts of general or special sessions, to be held for that purpose, shall cause a schedule of the names of such debtors to be made out, and class them, and shall furnish the commissioner with a list thereof, so as to direct the expenditure of the labour to be performed under the commissioner, to be done on the roads and bridges in or near the township where such debtors reside.

IV. And be it further enacted, that the monies now in the hands of the treasurers, or which shall be by them collected, shall be paid over to such commissioners as shall be authorized by the court of sessions to receive the same in such proportions as shall be determined by the said court of sessions.

V. And be it further enacted, that persons who shall perform labour in satisfaction of their debts as aforesaid, shall be entitled to receive a credit for such labour so performed, at the rate established by the act for regulating the expenditure of the monies for roads and bridges.

VI. And be it further enacted, that the sum of 6,000l. applied by this act, shall be considered part of the sum of 20,000l. granted for the service of roads and bridges in the present session.

VII. And be it further enacted, that the court of session in each county and district, shall return into the office of the treasurer of the province, a schedule of money by them appropriated under the provisions of this act, to be expended by the several commissioners in such county or district.