

At the General Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia, begun and holden at Halifax, on Thursday, the Thirteenth Day of February, 1823, in the Fourth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c. &c. being the Third Session of the Twelfth General Assembly, convened in the said Province.

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An Act for applying certain Monies therein mentioned, for the service of the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-three; and for appropriating such part of the Supplies granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province.

May it please your Excellency,

We, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the house of assembly of His Majesty's province of Nova-Scotia, towards appropriating the supplies granted to His Majesty in this session of the general assembly, and for supplying the exigencies of His Majesty's government, do humbly beseech that it may be enacted, and,

I. Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly, that, by or out of such monies as now are, or from time to time shall be and remain, in the public treasury of this province, there shall be paid:—

The sum of 200l. to the speaker of the house of assembly, for his services during the present year.

And a further sum of 100l. to the solicitor-general, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 500l. to the treasurer of the province, for his salary, and as comptroller and auditor of public accounts, and in lieu of office rent, clerks, and all other contingent expenses, for the present year.

And a further sum of 116l. 13s. 4d. to Nathaniel Atcheson, Esq. the agent of the province, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 100l. to the clerk of the council in general assembly, and as clerk to His Majesty's council, for his services for the same year.

And a further sum of 30l. for defraying the expenses of the council in general assembly, for the same year: to be paid on the certificate of the president of the council, and not otherwise.

And a further sum of 100l. to the clerk of the house of assembly, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 175l. to Messrs. Howe & Son, printers, for printing for Government and the general assembly, for the same year.

And a further sum of 50l. to the keeper of the house of assembly and the council chamber, for the present year.

And a further sum of 90l. to be paid on the certificate of the commissioners of the revenue, to the land waiter for the port of Halifax, for the same year.

And a further sum to be paid on the certificate of the commissioners of the revenue, at the rate of seven shillings and sixpence per day, to such person or persons as shall be employed, during the year aforesaid, by the collector of impost and excise of the district of Halifax, as extra waiter or waiters for the port of Halifax; and five shillings per day to such extra waiter or waiters when unemployed; and at the rate of five shillings per day to temporary waiters.

And a further sum of 200l. to the gauger and weigher, for the collector of impost and excise for the district of Halifax, for his services for the same year.

And a further sum of 40l. to the messenger to the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the time being, and His Majesty's Council, as well in their legislative capacity, as otherwise, for the present year.

And a sum of 25l. to the Reverend John Inglis, for his services as Chaplain to His Majesty's council and the house of assembly during the present session.

And a further sum of 35l. to John Boyd, for his services as Sergeant at Arms to the house of assembly, during the present Session.

And a further sum of 20l. to Matthew Forrester, for his services as assistant sergeant at arms to the house of assembly, during the present session.

And a further sum of 20l. to John Gibbs, for his services as messenger to the house of assembly, during the present session.

And a further sum of 30l. to the clerk to the commissioners of the revenue, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 20l. to the secretary of the province, for stationary, on account of warrants to be drawn on the treasury for the same year.

And a further sum of 10l. to the trustees of the law library, to be disposed of in such way as they may think proper for the advantage of the said library.

And a further sum of 222l. 4s. 5d. to the attorney-general, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 100l. to the treasurer of the province, in addition to his salary for the present year.

And a further sum of 250l. to defray such contingent expenses as may arise during the present year; to be drawn by warrant from the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief, for the time being.

And a further sum of 600l. for the support of the transient poor, for the present year, to be paid to the commissioners of the poor at Halifax.

And a further sum of 20l. to the person who has the care of the gunpowder at Halifax, for his services for the present year.

And a further sum of 50l. to James Ratchford and company, for the encouragement of a packet to run between Windsor and Partridge Island, under such regulations as may be made and ordered by the justices in their session for the county of Hants, for the present year.

And a further sum of 1000l. for the improvement of agriculture, under the direction of the provincial agriculture society, according to a scale to be agreed upon by the said society.

And a further sum of 100l. to the committee of the Poor Man's Friend Society, in Halifax, to aid them in carrying into effect the benevolent intentions of that society, including the soup establishment under their direction.

And a further sum of 200l. to the Halifax Steam Boat Company, towards enabling them to keep their boat plying between Halifax and Dartmouth.

And a further sum of 100l. to Anthony H. Holland, as an encouragement for carrying on the manufacture of paper, at the mill erected by him at Sackville.

And a further sum of 100l. to aid the inhabitants on the Gulf Shore, in the county of Sydney, to keep in repair the pier at Arisaig Point, in the said county.

And a further sum of 100l. to the adjutant-general of the militia, in full for his services, and the payment of his clerk, stationary and postage, for the present year.

And a further sum of 20l. to John Gutridge, to aid him in completing his mill, at Horton, for the manufacturing of oat meal.

And a further sum, not exceeding 815l. for defraying the expense of the post communication in the present year, to include the communication as heretofore kept up, and to extend the same from Manchester to Sydney, by way of Arichat; also, from West-Chester [Westchester], on the Cumberland road, to Pugwash and Remsheg [Wallace].

And a further sum of 165l. 7s. 1d. to defray the accounts of expenditure for, and work done to, the government-house in the last year.

And a further sum of 19l. 12s. 8d. to defray the accounts of expenditure for, and work done on, the province house in the last year.

And a further sum of 35l. to the treasurer of the province, for the like sum advanced by him to William Hill, Esq. pursuant to a resolution of the house of assembly, of the ninth of April, in the last year.

And a further sum of 17l. 10s. to the treasurer of the province, for the like sum advanced by him in payment of a premium for a bill of exchange remitted to the agent of the province, for his salary, pursuant to a resolution as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 71l. 3s. 11d. to John Higgins, Sen. to reimburse him the like sum paid by him for the amount of a verdict, obtained against him in the supreme court, at the suit of one James M'Haffy, and the expenses attending the same, prosecuted against the said Higgins, in consequence of acts done by him as a commissioner of roads.

And a further sum of 100l. to Samuel G. W. Archibald, Esq. one of the king's counsel at law, for his services in conducting criminal prosecutions in the supreme court, in the eastern circuits of the province, from the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, to the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, inclusive.

And a further sum of 100l. to William H. O. Haliburton, Esq. one of the King's counsel at law, for his services in conducting criminal prosecutions in the supreme court, in the western circuits of the province, for the period as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 300l. to the trustees of the Pictou Academy, towards the support of that establishment.

And a further sum of 30l. to be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the purpose of purchasing provisions, or to be otherwise expended as His Excellency may think best for the benefit of shipwrecked mariners who may be cast on the Seal Islands, near to Cape Sable, or in the neighbourhood thereof.

And a further sum of 100l. to the magistrates of the town of Halifax, towards enabling them to discharge the debt now due for the Bridewell establishment in the said town.

And a further sum of 25l. to the commissioners of the poor, at Halifax, to enable them to provide a school for the benefit of the orphans and poor children now in the poor-house.

And a further sum of 50l. to be applied upon the same conditions as in the past year, for a compensation to the sheriff of the county of Cape-Breton, for the services he may perform in the execution of his office within the present year.

And a further sum of 10l. to Nathaniel W. White, for services performed by him in conducting criminal business in the supreme court at Shelburne, in the month of July, in the last year.

And a further sum of 100l. to Walter Bromley, for his great and zealous exertions in promoting the interests of education in this province.

And a further sum of 200l. to Mr. John Howe, Jun. for his services performed for provinces, as deputy-post-master-general, during the last five years.

And a further sum of 31l. to John Howe and Son, for printing the acts, passed in the last session of the general assembly, for transmission to England, and also sundry other extra printing, per account.

And a further sum of 100l. to assist the inhabitants of Aylesford, in aid of a subscription, entered into by them, to build a dry dock on the Bay Shore, near the French Cross, so called, in the said township, so as to admit small vessels at the time of high water, where they may receive or discharge their cargoes in security. The said sum to be expended under the direction of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for the above service, if, upon enquiry, he should find the building of a dry dock practicable on the Bay Shore, near the French Cross.

And a further sum of 9l. 19s. 10d. to Joseph Stoneman, being the amount of one half of the net proceeds of a certain seizure, made by the Deputy-Collector of impost and excise at Annapolis, and paid into the treasury of the province.

And a further sum of 35l. to Mr. J. W. Sawyer, for his services in drafting and copying bills for the members of the house of assembly, in the present session.

And a further sum of 100l. to the clerk of the house of assembly, to defray the expense of extra clerks, servants, and other incidental expenses, during the present session.

And a further sum of 20l. to the clerk of the house of assembly, for defraying the expense of stationary furnished for the use of the house of assembly, His Majesty's council, and the commissioners of the revenue.

And a further sum of 50l. to defray the expense of fuel, and for sundries, furnished for the use of His Majesty's council and the house of assembly, in the present session, the same to be paid on the certificates of the president of the council, and the speaker of the assembly.

And a further sum of 100l. to be placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to be applied by such persons as His Excellency shall appoint, for the purpose of procuring seed potatoes and grain for the distressed negroes at Hammond Plains, Dartmouth and Preston, and those at the Panuke Lake Settlement in the township of Windsor, and Beech Hill near Halifax.

And a further sum of 1770l. for the great roads in the province, and in the county of Cape-Breton; to be applied and expended agreeable to the resolution passed in the house of assembly on the fifth day of April in the present year; and agreed to by His Majesty's council.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads within the district of Halifax, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads within the district of Colchester, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 530l. for the several roads within the district of Pictou, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 530l. for the several roads within the county of Sydney, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads within the county of Cumberland, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads within the county of Hants, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads within the county of King's County, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 530l. for the several roads in the county of Shelburne, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

And a further sum of 480l. for the several roads in the county of Queen's county, to be applied and expended as aforesaid.

II. And be it further enacted, that the sum of 10s. per day be allowed, and paid, to the members of the house of assembly, for their attendance in general assembly, upon the certificate of the speaker of the house of assembly.

III. And be it further enacted, that a commission of seven and a half per cent instead of six per cent shall be allowed in the collection of the light duties for the port of Halifax, for the present year.

IV. And be it further enacted, that if any accident shall happen to any of the bridges on the main roads in this province, or any unforeseen obstructions to travelling shall arise, from the fall of trees, or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to order a commissioner or commissioners to repair or rebuild such bridges, or to remove such obstructions. And it shall and may be further lawful, for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to draw warrants on account, and in favor of, such commissioner or commissioners; provided, the same shall not exceed the sum of five hundred pounds.

IV. And be it further enacted, that the ninth, twelfth, fifteenth, sixteenth, eighteenth and nineteenth, sections or clauses of the act, made and passed in the forty-first year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act for applying certain monies, therein mentioned, for the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and One, and for appropriating such part of the Supplies, granted in this Session of the General Assembly, as are not already appropriated by the Laws or Acts of the Province," shall be and continue in full force and virtue until the twenty-fifth day of March, which will be in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, in as full and ample a manner as the same clauses would be were they again repeated word for word.