

Regulations not to have effect until approved by the Legislature.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted and declared, that no Regulation, provision, matter or thing so proposed, treated, consulted or agreed on shall have conclusive force and effect, or be carried into execution until the same shall have been confirmed by the Legislature of this Province.

Substance of their Conferences to be laid before the Governor &c. and both Houses of the Legislature.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners shall, with all convenient speed, lay the substance of their conferences and consultations with the agreements by them entered into, before His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government, and both Houses of the Legislature of this Province.

Continuance of this Act.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall continue in force until the first day of March which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and five, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the Provincial Parliament, and no longer.

## C A P. XI

### AN ACT to confirm certain Marriages therein mentioned.

(2d. May, 1804.)

Enamble:

**W**HEREAS since the Conquest of this Province by the Arms of His Majesty, many Marriages have been had and solemnized by Ministers of the Church of Scotland, by Persons reputed to be Ministers of the Church of Scotland, by Protestant Dissenting Ministers, by Persons reputed to be Protestant Dissenting Ministers, and by Justices of the Peace; now for the preventing and avoiding of all doubts and questions touching the same: Be it therefore declared and 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 declared and enacted by the authority of the same, that all Marriages had or solemnized within the limits of this Province since the Thirteenth day of September which was in the year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty nine, by any Minister of the Church of Scotland, or by any Person reputed to be a Minister of the Church of Scotland, or by any Protestant Dissenting Minister, or by any Person reputed to be a Protestant Dissenting Minister or by any Justice of the Peace, shall be, and shall be adjudged, esteemed and taken to be and have been, from the day of the Celebration of such Marriages respectively, good and valid in Law to all Civil effects, intents,

All Marriages solemnized since the 13th. of September 1759. by the Persons described in this Clause, to be adjudged good and valid in Law.

intents and purposes whatsoever, any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Certain marriages  
excepted.

II. Provided nevertheless, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that nothing herein contained shall be construed or taken to confirm any Marriage between persons who, at the time of the Celebration of such Marriage, could not legally intermarry with each other, nor to confirm any Marriage which shall be celebrated after the passing of this Act.

## C A P. XII.

An Act to make good the deficiency of the Funds by Law provided for paying the Salaries of the Officers of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, and the Contingent expences thereof.

(2d. May, 1804.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

**W**HEREAS the Funds provided by an Act passed in the thirty third year of Your Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to establish a Fund for paying the Salaries of the Officers of the Legislative Council and Assembly, and for defraying the contingent expences thereof,*" have been insufficient for that purpose; And Whereas the Sums necessary to make good the said deficiency have, from time to time, on Addresses from the Legislative Council and House of Assembly respectively, been advanced by Your Majesty's Orders, the which deficiency amounts to the Sum of Three thousand three hundred and ninety one Pounds, seven Shillings and ten Pence Current money of this Province, exclusive of the charges of collection and the drawbacks allowed to the Province of Upper-Canada: 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 all and every the Sum or Sums which have been so advanced by Your Majesty's Orders to the sixth day of March One thousand eight hundred and four inclusive, for the before mentioned purposes amounting to Three thousand three hundred and ninety one Pounds, seven Shillings and ten Pence Current money of this Province, together with the charges of collection and the drawbacks allowed to the Province of Upper-Canada, shall be and are hereby directed to be charged to and against the surplus of any Fund or Funds subject to the disposition of

L339:7:10. to be charged to and against the surplus of the Funds subject to the disposition of the Provincial Parliament.