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42 George III – Chapter 5

An Act for the encouragement of the Culture of Hemp in this Province. (5th. April 1802.)

Most Gracious Sovereign,

"We Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council and House of Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, having taken into our most serious consideration, the great advantages that might arise to this Province, from the Culture of Hemp, and further considering the expediency, that proper measures should be adopted to enable the Inhabitants, in general. to enter on this important Branch of Agriculture and Commerce, with facility and success, if the encouragement that can be given thereunto, shall prove sufficient." 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 an 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 it shall and may be lawful, for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person Administering the Government for the time being, out of any unappropriated monies, that now are or may be in the hands of the Receiver General of this Province, to apply a sum not exceeding Twelve hundred Pounds, current money of this Province, to enable the Inhabitants to enter on the Culture of Hemp, with facility and advantage, and the said Sum, herein appropriated, shall be applied in such manner and under such regulations, as His Excellency the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government for the time being, shall judge most expedient, for promoting the ends of this Act.

II. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said sum of money, pursuant to the directions of this Act, shall be accounted for, to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, in such manner and form, as His Majesty, His Heirs and Successor shall direct.