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52 George III – Chapter 12 (Session 1)

An Act to amend an Act passed in the forty fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the better regulation of Pilots and Shipping in the Port of Quebec and in the Harbours of Quebec and Montreal, and for improving the navigation of the River Saint Lawrence, and for establishing a Fund for decayed Pilots, their widows and children." (19th May, 1812.)

Whereas it is found by experience that the decayed Pilot Fund created and established by and in virtue of an Act passed in the forty-fifth year of His Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act for the better regulation of Pilots and Shipping in the Port of Quebec and in the Harbours of Quebec and Montreal, and for improving the navigation of the River Saint Lawrence and for establishing a Fund for decayed Pilots, their widows and children," hath been chiefly realized by contribution upon Pilotage earned and received by Branch Pilots of the said River Saint Lawrence for and below the Harbour of Quebec, which fund from the weighty and disproportionate claims of decayed Pilots for the said River from Quebec to Montreal, and their widows, is likely to become exhausted, unless a speedy remedy be applied, and separate funds established as well for Pilots for the River Saint Lawrence below the Port and Harbour of Quebec, as for Pilots for the River Saint Lawrence above the Port and Harbour of Quebec. Be it therefore 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 the said fund called the decayed Pilot Fund, shall from and after the passing of this Act, be divided into two separate and distinct Funds, and the contributions now by Law established and collected upon Pilotage of ships or vessels below the Harbour of Quebec, shall go to and form a separate and distinct Fund for the relief of decayed Pilots for and below the Harbour of Quebec, their Widows and Children, and that the same shall be called and known by the name of the Quebec Decayed Pilots' Fund, and that the Contributions in like manner by Law established and collected upon Pilotage above the Harbour of Quebec, shall in future, go to and form a separate and distinct Fund for the relief of decayed Pilots for the river Saint Lawrence above the Port of Quebec, their Widows and Children, and that the said Fund shall be called and known by the name of the Montreal Decayed Pilots' Fund, and that the said Funds shall be realized and collected as already is settled and established by Law, and appropriated to the respective benefit of such decayed Pilots, their Widows and Children, as may be entitled to assistance from either of the said Funds.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the fourteenth Clause of the aforesaid Act of the forty-fifth of His Majesty, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that from and after the passing of this Act, if any ship or other vessel bound outwards from the Port of Quebec shall carry off to sea through stress of weather any Pilot, the master or owner of such ship or other vessel shall provide

such Pilot over and above the sum which shall be due to such Pilot for the Pilotage of such ship or other vessel, with a passage back to the Port of Quebec, or shall pay to him the value of such passage, if such Pilot shall agree to receive the same from the Port to which such vessel shall be bound, and further the sum of Six Pounds, Sterling, per month, shall be allowed to such Pilot, to the day in which the said passage shall be so provided or so paid for, he having performed, whilst on board, the duties whereof he may be capable.