

The Provincial Statutes of Lower-Canada, Being the second session of the seventh Provincial Parliament of Lower-Canada. Quebec: P. E. Desbarats, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1812.

52 George III – Chapter 19 (Session 1)

An Act to grant, annually, for a limited time a sum of money therein mentioned for the relief of the Indigent Sick, administered to in the Hôtel-Dieu of Quebec. (19th. May, 1812.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas it is just and necessary to provide for the support of the indigent Sick and to procure establishments where they may be comfortably lodged, maintained, taken, care of and have the benefit of medical aid, and having considered the essential services constantly rendered to the society during a great number of years past by the Religious Ladies Hospitalières of the Hôtel-Dieu of Quebec, the charitable manner with which they have assisted the indigent sick placed in their Hospital, and with what economy they have managed the property destined to this pious purpose, and considering the impossibility in which they are placed from the moderate revenues of their Hospital of admitting hereafter the same number of sick, unless that the Legislature shall grant them relief and the necessity of preserving so useful an establishment; for remedy whereof, 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 aforesaid, that it shall and may be lawful to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province, for the time being, to pay or cause to be paid by Warrant or Warrants, under his Hand and Seal, to the Religious Ladies Hospitalières of the Hôtel Dieu of Quebec, yearly, during the continuance of the present Act, out of any unappropriated monies that now are or shall, at any time or times hereafter, come into the hands of the Receiver General of this Province, the Sum of Three hundred Pounds, current money of this Province, one half to be paid in advance every six months, to be by them laid out for the maintenance and relief of the indigent sick they may receive into their Hospital.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said Sum of money shall be accounted for to His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors shall direct.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the present Act and all things therein contained, shall continue and be in force for and during the term of four years, from the day of the passing thereof and no longer.