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55 George III – Chapter 9

An Act to appropriate several sums of money therein mentioned, for repairing, improving and enclosing the Court House in the City of Quebec. (25th March, 1815.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN.

Whereas the Court House in the City of Quebec, is in a state indispensably requiring considerable repairs, and whereas additional Room is wanting for divers public offices in the said Building, and that it has become necessary to enclose the same, 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 of the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act patted 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 to and for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, by Warrant or Warrants under his hand and seal directed to the Receiver General of this Province, to issue to the Commissioners or any two of them to be appointed as herein-after to be provided, a sum not exceeding two thousand six hundred pounds, current money of this Province, to carry into execution the repairs now indispensably necessary to be made to the said Court House of the City of Quebec; a further sum not exceeding two thousand six hundred pounds, like current Money, for the purpose of adding a third or attic Story to the said Court House of the City of Quebec, and the further sum of one thousand five hundred pounds, like current money, for the purposes of enclosing the Premises of the said Court House, and of thereon erecting the necessary dependencies.

II. And be it further 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, by an instrument under his hand and seal at arms, to appoint three persons to be Commissioners for carrying into effect the purposes of this Act; and a person to act as Treasurer and Clerk to the said Commissioners, to whom a sum of one hundred pounds, current money of this Province, shall be allowed and no further or other sum; to remove from time to time, the said Commissioners, Treasurer and Clerk, or any of them and to appoint others in the place and Head of such as shall be removed, or shall die or resign their trust.

III, And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners or any two of them, shall and they are hereby directed to cause plans of the work to be done, and an estimate of the expense necessary for carrying into effect the said repairs, the building of the said attic story, and the enclosing of the premises of the said Court House; which plans and estimate shall by the said

Commissioners or any two of them, be laid before and approved by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, and after such approbation, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners or any two of them, from time to time, to agree by Contract or Contract in writing or otherwise in their discretion, with any person or person as well for condoling and inspecting the works, as for providing materials and hiring workmen and labourers, for carrying into effect the said repairing, improving and inclosing the said Court House, as and for which they the said Commissioners or any two of them shall think it expedient to contract or agree: Provided always, that previous to making any contract or contracts in writing, fourteen days notice at least, shall be given in one or more of the Public news-papers, printed within the said City of Quebec, expressing the object and intention of such contracts, and the time and place, for receiving proposals for the same.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that during the time the repairs of the said Court House shall be carrying on, the Courts of Justice for the District of Quebec, the sitting of which are now usually held In the said Court House, shall be held at such place within the City of Quebec, as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government of the said Province for the time being, shall for the purpose appoint.

V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Commissioners from time to time, when thereunto required, shall account to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, for the application and expenditure of all and every the sum and sums of money, to be advanced to them, and distributed by them, for the purpose of this Act, in such manner and form as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, shall appoint and direct.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said monies 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 Successors shall direct.