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An Act to continue for a limited time an Act passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act for the relief of Insane Persons and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned;" and also to grant a further sum of money for the more effectual attainment of the purposes of the said Act. (8th March, 1817.)

Whereas an Act was passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the Relief of Insane Persons and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned;" which Act was continued by an Act passed in the fifty-third year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time, an Act passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the Relief of Insane Persons and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned." Which said Act was also further continued by an Act passed in the fifty fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to continue, for a limited time, an Act passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for the Relief of Insane Persons, and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned;" and also to grant a further sum of money for the more effectual attainment of the purposes of the said Act;" Which said Act so continued as aforesaid will expire on the first day of April next; and whereas it is expedient and necessary further to continue the said Act and to make more ample provision for promoting the purposes of the said Act: 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 Act, intituled, "An Act for the Relief of Insane Persons and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned," shall continue to be in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, and no longer.

II. And whereas the sum of fifteen hundred pounds appropriated by the said Act of the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, for the relief of Insane Persons and for the support of Foundlings and others therein mentioned, has proved insufficient; and that it is expedient and necessary to apply a further sum of money to the more effectual attainment of the purposes of the said last mentioned Act: Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that, from and after the passing of this Act, 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, out of the unappropriated monies which now are in the hands of the Receiver General or which may hereafter come into his hands, arising from any Act or Acts of the Provincial Parliament, together with the aforesaid sum of fifteen hundred Pounds, to apply a further sum, not exceeding fifteen hundred Pounds, current money of this Province, annually, to the purposes of the aforesaid Act of the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign.

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III. And whereas also is it expedient and necessary to fix and determine the proportions of the sums of money to be granted for each of the Districts of Quebec, Montreal and Three-Rivers [Trois-Rivières], 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, to apply both the said sums, making in all the sum of three thousand Pounds, currency, to the extent of fifteen hundred Pounds for the District of Quebec, of one thousand Pounds for the District of Montreal, and of five hundred Pounds for the District of Three-Rivers, to the attainment and promotion of the purposes of the aforesaid Act of the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign. Provided always, that this Act and all and every Master and thing herein contained, shall continue to be in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, and no longer.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said sums of money, pursuant to the directions of this Act and of the above-said Act passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's Reign, 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.