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58 George III – Chapter 10

**An Act to authorize the appointment of Commissioners for the improvement of the communication by Water, with Upper-Canada. (1st April, 1818.)**

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas the improvement of the Communication by Water with the Province of Upper Canada, is of great importance to the trade of this Province and whereas it is expedient to appoint Commissioners on the part of this Province to meet such Commissioners as may be appointed by and on the part of Upper Canada to consider and report to the Legislature of this Province, what measures may be necessary for the improvement of the water communication between this Province and Upper Canada, as well by the river Saint Lawrence as by the river Ottawa—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 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 thereby enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act it and 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 nominate and appoint three Commissioners on the part of this Province, which said Commissioners shall, and they are hereby required to meet the Commissioners who are, who hereafter may be nominated and appointed by, and on the part of Upper Canada for the purposes above-mentioned, at such place or places in either of the said Provinces of Lower Canada or Upper Canada, as may be agreed upon, and to consider and report to the three branches of the Legislature of this Province, what measures are necessary for the improvement of the Water Communication between this Province and Upper Canada, as well by the river Saint Lawrence, as by the river Ottawa.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that for the purposes of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being, to pay and pay out of any of the unappropriated monies which now are, or which here after may come into the hands of the Receiver-General of this Province, for the time being, a sum of money not exceeding five hundred pounds, current money of this Province; the due application of which said sums 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.