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3 George IV – Chapter 20

An Act to appropriate a sum of Money to facilitate the execution of an Act therein-mentioned, commonly called the Quarantine Act, and for other purposes. (22d. March, 1823.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Whereas it is expedient to appropriate a certain sum of money to carry into execution a certain Act passed in the thirty-fifth year of the Reign of His late Majesty, George the Third, intituled "An Act to oblige ships and vessels coming from places infected with the plague or any pestilential fever or disease to person Quarantine and prevent communication thereof in this Province;" May it therefore please Your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and which 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, intiuled, '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 for the purpose of carrying into effect the above-mentioned Act passed in the thirty-fifth year of the Reign of His Majesty, George the Third, intituled, "An Act to oblige Ships and vessels coming from places infected with the plague or any pestilential disease to perform Quarantine, and prevent the communication thereof in this Province"; it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, to advance and pay from time to time by a Warrant or Warrants under his hand, a sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole, three hundred pounds, currency, from and out of the unappropriated monies in the hands of the Receiver-General of the Province. Provided always, that the money herein-above appropriated, shall go to defray as well the necessary expenses which may be incurred in causing an inquiry to be made, and in obtaining the advice of Medical men or Physicians in cases where contagion or pestilential fever may be apprehended, and of the course proper to be thereupon pursued as for the purpose of defraying such Medical aid as may thereafter be deemed expedient, for arresting the progress of such contagion or pestilential fever.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no ship or vessel whatsoever shall be obliged to make Quarantine pursuant to the Act herein above-mentioned, until the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, shall be fully satisfied upon a report to him made in writing and on oath before some Justice of the Peace, (which oath any Justice of the Peace is hereby authorised to administer) by at least five Medical men or Physicians by him appointed for the purpose of making an inquiry whether contagion or pestilential fever does exist in such ship or vessel.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the provisions of this Act, shall be and remain in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, and no longer.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the monies, by this Act appropriated, 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 from as His Majesty, His Heir and Successors shall be pleased to direct.