

Acts of the General Assembly of His Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1821. Fredericton, NB: George K. Lugin, Printer to the King's Most Excellent Majesty, 1821.

2 George IV – Chapter 17

An Act to revive and extend some of the provisions of an Act intituled "An Act to provide for the necessities of the Province, occasioned by the failure of the late crop." Passed the 20th of March 1821.

Whereas it is expedient that some provision should be made for the recovery and repayment of monies heretofore granted to relieve the distress of many of the inhabitants of this Province, in and by an Act passed in the fifty-seventh year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act to provide for the necessities of the Province, occasioned by the failure of the late crop" —

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council, and Assembly, That the Commissioners appointed under and by virtue of the herein before recited Act, or the major part of them, in the several Counties of this Province, shall without delay cause public notice to be given in the several Towns and Parishes of their respective Counties, in writing, in which notice they shall call upon all persons indebted to the Province for any supplies granted to them under and by virtue of the herein before recited Act, to pay the amount of their respective debts, either in labour to be performed by them upon any great roads, bye-roads, streets, or bridges, or in money, on or before the first day of November next ensuing after the passing of this Act.

II. And be it further enacted, That in case of the death or refusal of any of the Commissioners heretofore appointed as aforesaid to act, it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Council, to nominate and appoint some other fit person to be Commissioner in the room of such person so deceased, or who shall refuse to act.

III. And be it further enacted, That in case of the neglect or refusal of any person so indebted to the Province, for any supplies granted to him under and by virtue of the herein before recited Act as aforesaid, to pay the amount of the debt so due from him, in labour upon any of the great roads, bye-roads, streets, or bridges, within the Province, or in money, on or before the day herein before expressed and limited, that then it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of the County in which such person shall reside, or the major part of them, and they are hereby required, in their own names, to sue for and recover from the person so neglecting or refusing to pay, the amount of his said debt, in any Court competent to try the same.

IV. And be it further enacted, That upon the production on the part of any person so indebted to the Province as aforesaid, of a certificate from any Supervisor of the great roads, or from any Commissioner of bye-roads, streets, or bridges, or from any Commissioner of highways or roads, appointed or who may be hereafter appointed, by virtue of an Act intituled "An Act for regulating, laying out, and repairing highways and roads, and for appointing Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways, within the several Towns and Parishes in this Province" that such person has performed

labour upon any great roads, bye-roads, highways, streets, or bridges, that such certificate shall be taken and deemed to be, by the Commissioner of the respective Counties, as evidence of the payment of the debt so due from such person to the Province as aforesaid, to the extent of the sum specified in such certificate.

V. And be it further enacted, That upon a representation made to the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, on the behalf of any of the inhabitants so indebted for supplies as aforesaid, in the several and respective Counties, by the Commissioners, or the major part of them, of such several and respective Counties, of their inability to repay the sums so due from them respectively, it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, upon a recommendation for that purpose from the Commissioners, or the major part of them, of such several and respective Counties, to remit to such poor inhabitants the whole or any part of their said respective debts, as to him shall seem meet.

VI. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall from time to time transmit to the Secretary of the Province, for the information of the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, an account of the monies recovered and received by them under and by virtue of this Act, and the monies so recovered and received shall be expended and laid out by the Commissioners, or the major part of them, upon such roads and bridges within their respective Counties, as the Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Council, shall direct and appoint.

VII. And be it further enacted, That the said Commissioners shall keep an exact account of the monies laid out and expended by them upon any roads and bridges, and of any expenses which shall have been incurred by them respectively, in the performance of the duties required by this Act, which account of monies and expenses, together with the certificates of labour done by any of the inhabitants upon any great roads, bye-roads, highways, streets, or bridges, and which shall have been allowed by any Supervisor or Commissioner of bye-roads, highways, streets and bridges, pursuant to the directions of this Act, shall be transmitted by the said Commissioners to the office of the Secretary of the Province, for the inspection and consideration of the General Assembly at their next Session.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be and remain in full force for the term of one year, and thence to the end of the next Session of the General Assembly.