Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1848. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1848.

11 Victoria – Chapter 7

An Act to provide for the expenses incurred in the support, relief and maintenance of indigent, sick and distressed Emigrants and Orphans, who arrived in this Province during the past year. Passed 30th March 1848.

Whereas in consequence of the impoverished and deplorable state in which the Emigrants left Great Britain and Ireland during the past year, and the unparalleled sickness, destitution and distress which have prevailed among them on their arrival in this Province, great and unusual expenses have been incurred in various parts of this Province for their relief and assistance; and whereas Her Majesty's Government stand pledged to make an equitable contribution from Imperial Funds towards the payment of such expenses, but in the mean time it is necessary to make immediate provision for the payment of such expenses.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That there be granted to the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred and eleven pounds eleven shillings and eleven pence, for the payment of such expenses, to be appropriated as follows:—

Alexander Reed, Keeper of the Light House on Partridge Island, compensation for damages on account of losses sustained inconsequence of depredations committed upon his property on the Island by the numerous Emigrants there landed by order of the Public Authorities, the sum of fifty pounds.

James Portmore, for Lumber, &c. supplied Emigrants for flooring Tents and making Coffins in June, July and August last, while he was erecting a Pest House on Partridge Island, fifteen pounds.

The Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Moncton, County of Westmorland, for expenses incurred in the support and relief of sick and distressed Emigrants the past year, thirty two pounds twelve shillings and five pence.

The Reverend James Quin, Catholic Missionary at Saint John, for expenses incurred and for other services in daily and semi-weekly visits to the Emigrants on Partridge Island the past year, fifty pounds.

The Overseers of the Poor, Parish of Caraquet, County of Gloucester, for necessaries supplied to sick and destitute Emigrants landed from a vessel called the Eliza Liddell, in July last, twenty nine pounds one shilling and two pence.

The Overseers of the Parish of Studholm, King's County, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support and relief of the sick and distressed Emigrants in July last, six pounds seventeen shillings and six pence.

The Justices of the Peace for the County of Northumberland, to reimburse them the balance due expended in the support and relief of distressed Emigrants the present year, eight hundred and eighty five pounds four shillings and nine pence.

George J. Harding, resident Health Officer on Partridge Island, for his services in attending upon sick, distressed and diseased Emigrants the past year, three hundred pounds.

Doctor Murphy, of Sackville, County of Westmorland, for his services in attending upon sick and distressed Emigrants in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, seven pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence.

James M'Gowan, who has been a confidential servant in charge of the sick for the last thirteen years on Partridge Island, extra allowance for himself and his Wife as one of the Nurses in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, the sum of thirty pounds.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Saint George, in the County of Charlotte, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support of sick, indigent and distressed Emigrants in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, one hundred and nine pounds and ten pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Shediac, County of Westmorland, to reimburse advances for a similar purpose, five pounds nine shillings and nine pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Saint Stephen, County of Charlotte, to reimburse similar advances, twenty seven pounds seventeen shillings and five pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Chatham, County of Northumberland, to reimburse similar advances, fourteen pounds eleven shillings and five pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Hampton, King's County, to reimburse similar advances, sixty seven pounds fourteen shillings and four pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Norton, King's County, to reimburse similar advances, fifty five pounds six shillings and one penny.

William Hamilton, of Dalhousie, County of Restigouche, to reimburse expenses for erecting a temporary Lazaretto by order of the Magistrates, and for the support of and Medical attendance on sick, distressed and indigent Emigrants the past year, one hundred and ten pounds three shillings and ten pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Sheffield, County of Sunbury, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support and relief of sick and distressed Emigrants the past year, ten pounds seven shillings and eleven pence.

Commissioners of the Alms House for the City and County of Saint John, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support and relief of sick and distressed Emigrants from the first day of December to the thirty first day of January, both inclusive, one thousand five hundred and forty three pounds nineteen shillings and six pence.

Doctor William Bayard for his professional services and attendance on the numerous Emigrants at the Alms House, three hundred pounds.

Doctor Wetmore, for his services during the illness of Doctor Bayard with Typhus Fever of a most malignant character, seventy five pounds.

Doctor Paddock, for his services during the illness of Doctors Bayard and Wetmore with Typhus Fever until he himself took the disease, seventy five pounds.

William Craig, Superintendent and Keeper of the Alms House, for his services and those of his Wife as Matron, one hundred and fifty pounds.

William 0. Smith, a Commissioner of the Alms House, for purchasing and providing for the Alms House and Quarantine Establishment on Partridge Island, disbursing for the year nearly ten thousand pounds, on which no Commission was charged, and other services, three hundred pounds.

Mayor of Saint John to reimburse advances made to Emigrants, fifteen pounds; for Boat hire to the Medical attendants visiting Partridge Island, one pound; for payment for special services performed by members of the Quarantine Establishment, forty five pounds; for past services of a Messenger, sixteen pounds—seventy seven pounds.

James Boyd for services rendered at Saint Andrews, in charge of sick and distressed Emigrants at that place, fifty pounds.

Justices of the Peace of the County of Kent, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support and relief of a diseased Emigrant last year, five pounds four shillings and six pence.

Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Burton, County of Sunbury, to reimburse expenses incurred in the support and relief of distressed Emigrants in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty seven, thirteen pounds and six pence.

Doctor George L. Murphy, Assistant to the Health Officer on Partridge Island, balance due him, twenty five pounds.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to provide for Warrants drawn on the Provincial Treasury over and above three thousand pounds voted at the last Session for the support and relief of sick, distressed and indigent Emigrants, viz:—

Commissioners of Alms House Saint John, at four different periods, two thousand six hundred and forty four pounds fifteen shillings and eight pence;

Commissioners for Sheds for Emigrants, ninety six pounds seventeen shillings and one penny; Commissioners for relief of Orphan Emigrants, three hundred pounds;

B. Wolhaupter, expenses of Emigrant Hospital, Fredericton, six hundred pounds;

For Medical attendance and relief of sick Emigrants at Saint John, four hundred and sixty five pounds thirteen shillings and eight pence;

Medical attendance of the late Doctor Frye, at Saint Andrews, one hundred and thirty pounds;

S. T. Gove, Medical attendance at Saint Andrews, forty five pounds;

Amounting in the whole to four thousand two hundred and eighty two pounds six shillings and five pence.

To His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in order to provide for the expenses of indigent distressed Emigrants in the various Hospitals in this Province, arrived during the last year, until the first day of May next, from the first day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty eight, three thousand five hundred pounds.

Benjamin Wolhaupter, to reimburse balance of expenses incurred at Fredericton, in the County of York, for the support and relief of sick, distressed and indigent Emigrants, one thousand and forty eight pounds eight shillings and eleven pence.

Benjamin Wolhaupter for his services as Superintendent, eighty pounds.

Justices of the Peace of the County of Gloucester, to reimburse balance of expenses incurred at Bathurst and Shippegan for the support and relief of sick, distressed and indigent Emigrants, one hundred and thirty pounds eight shillings and ten pence.

Doctor Baldwin, Medical attendance on Emigrants at Shippegan, forty nine pounds.

Amounting in the whole to the sum of thirteen thousand five hundred and eleven pounds eleven shillings and eleven pence.

II. Provided always and be it enacted, That all monies which may be contributed by Her Majesty's Government from Imperial Funds towards the payment of the above expenses shall be

paid into the Treasury of this Province towards reimbursing to the said Treasury the monies appropriated by this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That all the before mentioned sums of money appropriated by this Act, shall be paid by the Treasurer of this Province, by Warrant of the Lieutenant Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, out of any monies that may be in the Treasury, or as payment may be made to the same.