

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Newfoundland, passed in the year 1844.*

7 Victoria – Chapter 9

**An Act for granting to Her Majesty a Sum of Money for constructing and repairing Roads, Streets, and Bridges, within this Colony and its Dependencies, and for other purposes. (Passed 29th April, 1844.)**

Whereas it is expedient that provision be made for the internal improvement of this Colony, by constructing, repairing, and improving, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, therein:—

I. Be it therefore enacted, by the Governor, Council and Assembly, in Legislative Session convened, that from and out of such monies as shall from time to time remain in the hands of the Treasurer, and unappropriated, there be granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs, and Successors, the sum of Eight Thousand Pounds, to be appropriated as follows, that is to say:—

Towards constructing, repairing and improving Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Saint John's, the sum of Two Thousand and Thirty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

Towards finishing the Torbay Road, Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

On the Road from Torbay Bridge to Pouch Cove, One Hundred Pounds.

On the Road from Goff's Bridge to the Public Wharf, Portugal Cove, Fifteen Pounds.

Towards completing the Petty Harbor Road, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Brine's Bridge to the Portugal Cove Road, Eighty Pounds.

To complete the Road from Major Green's, by William Irvin's, to Rennie's Mill Road, Sixty Pounds.

To complete the Outer Cove Road, One Hundred Pounds.

To finish the Safety Wall, at Pitts's Ground, Thirty Pounds.

Towards finishing the Road from Ryan's Room, Logy Bay, to the School House, Thirty Pounds.

Towards finishing the Road from Martin's, White Hills, to Edward Byrne's Farm, Thirty Pounds.

Towards finishing the Road from J. Fergus's, by Dreelen's Well Road, towards Monday's Pond, Seventy-five Pounds.

For a Road from Dennis Nowlan's farm along the North Side of Monday's Pond, Thirty Pounds.

Towards finishing the Circular Road, Fifty Pounds.

To repair the Road from the Queen's Bridge to meet the Torbay and Outer Cove Road, Twenty Pounds.

To repair the Road leading from the Outer Cove Road to meet the Branch Road leading to Dyer's and Ryan's Room, Thirty Pounds.

To build a Bridge over the South River on the Road through Pearl's Town, Fifty Pounds.

To build a Bridge over the South River on the Old Placentia Road, Thirty Pounds.

Towards making the Road from Middle Cove to St. John's, as far as Savage's Bridge, by the Old Road, Thirty Pounds.

Towards repairing Mahon's Lane, Thirty Pounds,

Towards making a Drain from the lane West of the House of Charles Simms, Esq. across Duckworth Street, Thirty Pounds.

Bridge across the Stream leading to the Weil at Gill's Shute, Five Pounds.  
Towards opening and making a Road from the Meeting-House Hill Road into Tarahan's Town, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards making the Toad from Ryan's Bridge towards Cadigan's Room, Fifty Hounds.  
Towards repairing Buchanan Street, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards repairing Road from Portugal Cove Road towards Friendly Hall, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Towards repairing Road from Portugal Cove Road to One Island Pond, Fifty Pounds.  
Towards repairing Road leading to Edghill's Farm, Thirty-five Pounds.  
Towards completing the Road from King's Bridge to the Old Portugal Cove Road at West's Hill, Twenty-five Pounds.  
Towards erecting a Bridge on the Oxenden Pond Road over the River running into Long Pond, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards completing the Road from the Torbay Road to Middle Cove, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards making a Road from the Topsail Road, near Kean's, to the Black Marsh at the George's Pond Road, Forty Pounds.  
Towards completing Quidividi Road, beginning at Quidividi Pond Bridge, Eighty Pounds.  
Towards erecting Bridge over the Stream at Torbay Beach, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards building Bridge on the Road from Torbay to Middle Cove, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards finishing Penny-well Path Road, Forty Pounds.  
Towards finishing Cockpit Road, Fifty Pounds.  
Towards repairing Road from Rennie's Mill to Upper Long-Pond Bridge, Sixty Pounds.

To be placed at the disposal of the Board of Commissioners towards repairing Roads within the District not herein provided for, Seventy Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, within the District of Conception Bay, the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say: —

On the Main Road from Holyrood Southern Brook to Salmon Cove Brook, One Hundred and Twenty Pounds.  
Street, North and South Holyrood, Fifty Five Pounds.  
Harbor Main Street, Twenty-five Pounds.  
Bacon's Cove to Cat's Cove, Forty Five Pounds.  
James' Cove to Southern Cove (Colliers), forty Five Pounds.  
O'Keefe Road, Hearn's, Colliers, to Wade's, Cat's Cove, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Bull Cove to English Cove, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Delaney's, Brigus, to N. A. School House, Twenty five Pounds.  
Main Road, towards Goose Pond, Fifty Pounds.  
Juniper Stump Road, Fifteen Pounds.  
Burn Point to Cupids, Forty Pounds.  
Cupids Street, Twenty Pounds.  
Salmon Cove Bridge to Brigus, Sixty Pounds.  
Hibbs' Hole to Main Road, Seventy Five Pounds.

Bay Roberts to Spaniards Bay Bridge, Forty Pounds.  
Cold East Point Road, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Heart's Content Road, One Hundred and Twenty Pounds.  
Hard Path Road to New Harbor Road, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.  
Main Road, Bay de Verds, to Grate's Cove, Seventy five Pounds.  
Valley Road, Seventy Pounds.  
Bunkers Hill Road, Forty Pounds.  
Jones' Road, Thirty Pounds.  
Hiscock Hill Road towards Beaver Pond, fifty Pounds.  
English Hill Road, Thirty Pounds.  
Main Beach Bridge, Twenty Pounds.  
Middle Street and Drain, Thirty five Pounds.  
London Road, Twenty Pounds.  
Bow-me-down Road, Thirty Pounds.  
Towards repairing the Road from Crockers Cove to Spout Cove, One Hundred and Thirty Pounds;  
Fifty Pounds of which is to be expended in building a Bridge over Salmon Cove River.  
Bennett Hill Road, Thirty Pounds.  
Battery Road, Twenty Pounds.  
Spout Cove to Lower Island Cove, Twenty Pounds.  
Western Bay, thro' Bradley's Cove to Adams Cove, Thirty Pounds.  
Mulley's Cove Road to Broad Cove, Fifteen Pounds.  
Job's Cove Street towards Redland, Fifteen Pounds.  
Lower Island Cove Main Brook to Bay de Verds, One Hundred Thirty Pounds.  
Broderick's to Canvas Town, Lower Island Cove, Twenty Pounds.  
Low Point to Main Road, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Small Point to Main Road, Thirteen Pounds.  
Harbour Grace South Side Road, Fifty Pounds.  
Cooper Corner and Hard Path Roads, Twenty Pounds. Dungarven Road, Twenty Pounds.  
Cork Road and St. .Mark's Road, Forty Pounds.  
Newtown Road and Scotland Road, Forty Pounds.  
Devonshire Road, Fifteen Pounds.  
Sullivan Hill Road, Twenty Pounds.  
Native Road, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Cottage Road, Twenty-five Pounds.  
Crowdy Road, Forty Pounds.  
From Robert Lee's to Harriet Lodge, Twenty Five Pounds.  
Holbrook Road, Five Pounds.  
Woodville Road, Thirty Pounds.  
Prendergast Lane, Twenty Pounds.  
Forbes' Road, Twenty Pounds.  
From River Head of Harbour Grace to Island Cove, Thirty Pounds.  
Bryan's Cove North Side to Spaniard's Bay Road, Fifty Pounds.  
Bryan's Cove to Charles Robinson's, Fifteen Pounds.  
Spaniards Bay to Island Cove, Twenty Pounds.

Musquitto Valley Road, Thirty Five Pounds.

For expenses incurred by Harbour Grace District Board of Road Commissioners, Seventeen Pounds.

Main Street to Episcopal Church, Brigus, Seventy Five Pounds.

Towards constructing, improving, and repairing, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Trinity, the sum of Seven Hundred and Forty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

Towards completing the Road and erecting a Bridge from Heart's Content to Carbonear, Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from New Harbor to Conception Bay, Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Seal Cove to Grates' Cove, Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Seal Cove to Silly Cove, passing through Hants Harbour, Fifty Pounds.

Towards repairing Roads in the Town of Trinity, Fifty Pounds.

Towards making a Road from Bird Island Cove to the Main Road from Catalina to Bona vista, Fifty Pounds.

Towards making a Road and constructing two Bridges from Catalina to Little Catalina, Sixty Pounds.

Towards repairing Roads and making Bridges in the Town of Catalina, Fifty Five Pounds.

Towards making a Road from the Grate's Cove to Bay de Verds, Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Bonaventure to Trinity, Seventy Five Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Trinity to Catalina, Fifty Pounds.

Towards completing the Road from Catalina to Bonavista, One Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds.

To open a Road from Ragged Rock Cove to Bonaventure, Twenty Five Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Bonavista, the sum of Five Hundred and Thirty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

Main Line of Road from Bonavista to Catalina, One Hundred and Twenty Five Pounds.

Main Line of Road from Bonavista towards Plate Cove or Open Hall and Red Cliff, One Hundred Pounds.

Road through Fickle Cove and towards the Main Line from King's Cove to Open Hall, &c., Forty Pounds.

Streets and Bridges in Ring's Cove, Forty Five Pounds.

Streets, &c. in Greenspond, Ninety Five Pounds.

Streets, &c. in Fair Island, Fifteen Pounds.

Streets, &c. in Gooseberry Island, Fifteen Pounds.

Streets, &c. in Bonavista, Fifty Pounds.

New Line of Road from Lance Cove towards Bayley's Cove, Twenty Pounds.

Line from Lance Cove towards the Bird Island Cove Road, Ten Pounds.

Towards repairing Roads and Bridges in Keels, Fifteen Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Twillingate and Fogo, the sum of Five Hundred and Ten Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

For making and repairing Roads in Moreton's Harbour, Fifty Pounds.

For opening a Road from Tizzard's Harbour to Moreton's Harbour, Fifty Pounds.

For making and repairing Roads in the Harbour of Exploits Burnt Island, Seventy Pounds.

For making and repairing Roads in the Island of Fogo, One Hundred and Forty Pounds.

For making and repairing Roads in the Island of Twillingate, Two Hundred Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Fortune Ray, the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

Road from Harbor Britain to the West Side of Connaigre Bay, and from the South Side of Connaigre Bay to Hermitage Cove, One Hundred Pounds.

Road from Bellorem to St. Jacques, Fifty Pounds.

To be placed at the disposal of the Governor, to be distributed within the said District, upon Roads and Bridges not herein-before specified, One Hundred and Eighty Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of Ferryland, the sum of Five Hundred and Thirty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

Towards erecting a Bridge over Cully's River, Bay Bulls, Fifty Pounds.

Towards erecting a Bridge near Landrigan's House, Witless Bay, Twenty Pounds.

On the Road through the Harbour of Mobile, Thirty Pounds.

On the Road in Fermeuse, to meet the Main Road, Thirty Pounds.

For the Main Line of Road, Four Hundred Pounds.

N. B.—The Board of Road Commissioners in the Bay Bulls part of the District, and the Board of Road Commissioners in the Ferryland part of the District, to have the appropriating of Two Hundred Pounds each, to be spent expressly on the Main Line of Road.

Towards constructing, repairing and improving Roads, Streets and Bridges in the District of Burin the sum of Three Hundred and Thirty Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say:—

To continue the Road from Burin to Grand Bank, in Fortune Bay, Eighty Pounds.

For a Road in Lameline, Thirty Five Pounds.

For a Road in Lawn, Twenty Five Pounds.

To complete the Road from Great St. Lawrence to Little St. Lawrence, Twenty Five Pounds.

To complete Bull's Cove and Port au Bras Road, Twenty Pounds.

To continue the Road from Port au Bras to Mortier Bay, Forty Pounds.

To make a Road to School House at Rock Harbour, Thirty Pounds.

To make a Road from John de Bay to Spanish Room, Twenty Pounds.

To make a Road from Beau Bois to Little Bay, to the School House, Forty Pounds.

To continue a Road from Olive Point to Great Burin, Fifteen Pounds.

Towards constructing, repairing, and improving, Roads, Streets, and Bridges, in the District of St. Mary's and Placentia, the sum of Five Hundred Pounds, to be expended as follows, that is to say;—

Towards opening a Road from St. Mary's to Salmonier, Eighty Six Pounds.

For opening a Road through Harbour Buffett and Muscle Harbour, Long Island, Placentia, Eleven Pounds.

In Harbour Buffett, Placentia Bay, for approaches to a School, Forty Seven Pounds.

For Roads and Streets, Great Placentia Harbour, Forty Seven Pounds.

For a Road to unite the Road at the Beach of Great Merasheen, with the Road in Little Merasheen, Thirty Three Pounds.

For Roads and Streets in Little Placentia, Sixty Five Pounds.

For a Road from Placentia to Distress Cove, Thirty Eight Pounds.

For a Road to Meadow and Muddy Hole, Laveline, Six Pounds.

For a Road connecting North Harbour with the Bays of St. Mary's and Placentia, Forty Six Pounds.

For a Road at Point Mall, near Little Placentia, Twenty Four Pounds.

For a Road to the North East Arm of Great Placentia, Thirty Seven Pounds.

For Roads, Streets, and Bridges within the Isle of Valen, Thirty Pounds.

For Roads and Streets in Trepassey, Thirty Pounds.

II. And be it further enacted, That the sums of money herein before appropriated shall be applied and expended for the purposes aforesaid by the respective Boards of Road Commissioners appointed or to be appointed under the Road Art passed in the last Session of the Legislature, under and subject to the like rules, regulations, and enactments, in all respects, as are declared and contained in the said Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, or Administrator of the Government for the time being, to authorize any Board of Commissioners of Roads in this Island, upon just cause to him shewn, to expend or cause to be expended upon any Road or Bridge to be made or erected under the provisions of this Act, any sum not exceeding Five Pounds per centum upon the total amount granted for such work, in the employment of Labourers or Artisans for the performance of the same: And whereas the several sums of money herein before granted may require to be appropriated to the services aforesaid at a time when in consequence of the application of previous appropriations the whole sum of Eight Thousand pounds aforesaid may not be remaining in the hands of the Colonial Treasurer and unappropriated, and it is therefore expedient to provide against any inconvenience that might be occasioned to the public service by the happening of such contingency:

IV. Be it therefore further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, when and as soon as he may deem necessary, to appoint three fit and proper persons as Commissioners to issue Treasury Notes to the amount of Eight Thousand Pounds Sterling, as follows; — Forty Treasury Notes of One Hundred Pounds each: — Forty Treasury Notes of Fifty Pounds each; Eighty Treasury Notes of Twenty-five Pounds each;—which Treasury Notes shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding Six per cent per annum, from the day they shall be issued in payment from the Treasury, and shall be indented and impressed with the word “Newfoundland,” signed by the Treasurer of the Colony, and countersigned by the said Commissioners, and contain the

following figures and words:—No. Colony of Newfoundland, £ \_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer's Office. —By a Law of this Colony, the Bearer of this Note is entitled to receive at the Treasury the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_ with interest at the rate of Six per cent per annum from the day it was issued by the Treasurer. Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland, the day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord 184\_\_\_\_\_.

All which Notes shall be of the same date, and when so completed and signed shall be delivered to the Treasurer by the persons appointed to countersign the same; and the Treasurer shall be accountable for all such Notes so delivered to him.

V. And be it further enacted, That when and so often as money shall become due and payable by virtue of any Act or Acts already passed or that may be passed by the General Assembly of this Colony, and warrants for the same are produced for payment to the Treasurer of the Colony, he shall pay the amount of such Warrants, on demand, in Silver or in the said Notes, to the person or persons entitled to receive the same, at his or their election, which Notes shall be again received at the Treasury in this Colony, at their specified value, equal to the like value in silver, when and as often as the same are presented and offered in payment of Duties raised by virtue of any Act passed within this Colony, and the interest, from the day of their being issued in payment, computed and allowed.

VI. And be it further enacted, that the Treasurer of this Colony shall on the day and before he issues any of the Notes in payment, as aforesaid, write on the same the day of the Month and Year they are so issued, and sign his name thereto, and from the time so written by him in the said Notes so issued, they shall bear the interest aforesaid.

VII. And be it further enacted, that when the said Notes, or any of them, shall be received by the Collector or Sub-Collectors of Customs of this Colony, in payment for Duties, the said Collector or Sub-Collectors shall write on the said Notes the day of the month and year the same was so received: and the person or persons delivering them in payment, shall sign his or their name thereto: and the said Notes, when received by the Treasurer of the Colony, from the said Collector or Sub-Collectors, shall not again be issued from the Treasury, but shall be cancelled in such manner as the Governor or Administrator of the Government for the time being, shall deem expedient.

VIII. And be it further enacted, that if any person or persons whomsoever shall counterfeit any of the Notes aforesaid, issued by virtue of this Act, or alter any of the same so that they shall appear of greater value than when originally issued, or shall knowingly pass or give in payment any of the Notes aforesaid so counterfeited or altered, every person convicted thereof shall be transported for the period of his or their natural lives, or be imprisoned or kept to hard labour for such period as the Court before which such party or parties shall be so convicted, shall determine.

IX. And be it further enacted, that so soon as the Treasurer of the Colony shall, by advertisement in the Royal Gazette, appoint a time at which he will receive such Notes, and pay the amount thereof, together with the Interest due thereon, in Gold or Silver, giving Sixty Days' notice of such redemption, and mentioning the number so required to be produced for payment, and in failure of such Notes being produced at the time limited, all further Interest on the same shall cease; and no other or greater



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amount of Interest shall be paid on such Notes so called in, than was due and payable at the date the same were required to be presented to the Treasurer as aforesaid.