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44 George III – Chapter 9

An Act appropriating a certain sum of Money annually to defray the expences of erecting certain Public Buildings to and for the uses of this Province. Passed 9th March, 1804.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

Whereas it is highly expedient for the accommodation of the Legislative Council and Assembly of this Province and of the Courts of Justice therein, and for the better conducting of the public business thereof that certain public Buildings should be erected for the purpose of the assembling and sitting of the said Legislative Council and Assembly, and of the said Courts of Justice, and for the obtaining of suitable and convenient offices and apartments for transacting the public business, and for the securing and presenting of the public records, documents and instruments of this Province, We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of this Province, in Parliament assembled, do most humbly beseech 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 Upper 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, 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 by the authority of the same, That there be granted to his Majesty, his heirs and successors, and well in this present year one thousand eight hundred and four, as in each and every year afterwards, until such Buildings shall be erected and completed, the sum of four hundred pounds, to be issued out of the unappropriated funds which now are, or during the aforesaid period may be paid into the hands of the Receiver General of this Province for or on account of any duties or rates already imposed by any existing law, or hereafter to be imposed by any statute to be passed by the Legislature of this Province, towards the erecting a building or buildings, to contain necessary apartments and offices for the assembling and sitting of the Legislative Council and Assembly of this Province, and of the Courts of Justice therein, and also apartments for the assembling of the Executive Council, and offices for the conducting of the business, under the management and direction thereof, together with proper offices for the Secretary, the Receiver General and Surveyor General of this Province, with such other office or offices, apartment or apartments for the suitable conducting of public business, and for the securing and preferring the said public records, documents and instruments, and all other books, papers and writings which concern or relate to the general interest and property of his Majesty's subjects in this Province, as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being shall, by and with the advice of the Executive Council thereof order and direct.

II. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said building or buildings shall be erected and built on such plot or lot of ground belonging to his Majesty, lying and being within

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the Town of York, as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the government, by and with the advice of the Executive Council thereof for the time being, shall be pleased to direct.

III. And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or person administering the government of this Province for the time being, from time to time as occasion shall require, to issue his warrant or warrants to the Receiver General of this Province, to pay out of such funds as aforesaid, the whole or such part or parts as to him shall seem meet, of the said yearly sum of four hundred pounds hereby granted to his Majesty for the purpose of this Act, and that the said Receiver General shall account to his Majesty, his heirs and successors for the same 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 be graciously pleased to direct.