

Laws of His Majesty's Province of Upper Canada in North America, passed in the year 1812.
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52 George III– Chapter 8 (Session 1)

An Act for granting to his Majesty a certain sum of Money, further to encourage the Growth and Cultivation of Hemp in this Province, and for other purposes. Passed the 6th of March, 1812.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

Whereas it would very much encourage and promote the cultivation of Hemp in this Province, if some further provision was made by the Legislature for the purchase thereof; in order therefore to make Provision for so beneficial an object, as far as the present resources of the Province will admit, We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of Upper Canada in Parliament assembled, do most humbly beseech your Majesty that it 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 from and out of any fund or funds now remaining, or which may hereafter come into the hands of the Receiver General, arising from and out of the rates and duties already raised, levied and collected, or which may hereafter be raised, levied and collected, to and for the uses of this Province, there be granted to his Majesty, his heirs and successors, the sum of one thousand pounds, to be disposed of, appropriated, and laid out as a public stock or capital, applicable to the purpose of purchasing Hemp, the growth of this Province, and of discharging the expences incident to such purchases, and the exportation and sale thereof in such manner, and under such regulations as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the government of this Province shall direct.

II. And whereas there appears the sum of four hundred and twenty-three pounds eleven shillings, appropriated for the purchase of Hemp Seed, and for the payment of Bounties for the encouragement of the Growth and Cultivation of Hemp, remains unexpended, Be it therefore further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said sum of four hundred and twenty three pounds eleven shillings, be applied to the purchase of Hemp, in conformity to an Act passed in the forty-eighth year of his Majesty's reign, intituled, "*An Act for the further encouragement of the growth and cultivation of Hemp in this Province, and for the exportation thereof.*"

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That all sums of money arising from the sale of Hemp received, or to be hereafter received, by either the Receiver General of this Province, or any Commissioner or Commissioners appointed, or to be appointed to carry into execution the Provisions of the before mentioned Act of the forty eighth year of his Majesty's reign, and also of an Act passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty's reign, intituled, "*An Act to amend an Act passed*

in the fortyfourth year of his Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act for granting to his Majesty a certain sum of money for the further encouragement of the growth and cultivation of Hemp within this Province, and the exportation thereof," shall be expended in the future purchase of Hemp, agreeable to the Provisions of the said Act.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the money hereby granted to his Majesty, shall be paid by the Receiver General in is charge of such warrant or warrants as shall for the purposes herein set forth, be issued by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Person administering the government of this Province, and the 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 pleased to direct.