

Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower-Canada, and for the Government of Canada,*” and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That for the present Session of the Provincial Parliament, and for each Session thereafter, there shall be allowed to each Member of the Legislative Assembly attending at any such Session, twenty shillings for each day’s attendance thereat, and six pence for each mile of the distance between the place of residence of such Member and the place at which the Session shall be held.

Rate of indemnity per diem, and per mile.

II. And be it enacted, That the sum due to each Member at the close of any Session, shall be paid to him by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, on such Member signing a declaration to be kept by the said Clerk, and stating the number of days’ attendance and the number of miles of distance for which such Member is entitled to an allowance, and the amount of such allowance; and that each day on which the Member shall have attended any sitting of the Legislative Assembly or of any Committee thereof, and each day during the Session on which there shall have been no sitting of the Legislative Assembly, or on which he shall have been prevented by sickness from attending any sitting, but on which he shall, in either case, have been in the place where the Session is held, shall be reckoned as a day of attendance at such Session.

How the indemnity shall be ascertained and paid.

III. And be it enacted, That there be granted to Her Majesty, out of any unappropriated monies forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, an annual sum, sufficient to enable Her Majesty to advance to the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of this Province, such sum of money as shall be required to pay the estimated amount of such Sessional allowance according to the foregoing sections of this Act.

Appropriation to defray the same.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of this Province shall account for such monies as he shall receive under this Act, in the same manner as for monies advanced to him for the contingent expenses of the said Legislative Assembly, and that he may apply any surplus thereof to the payment of such contingent expenses, and may supply any deficiency of such estimated amount to meet the same, out of any monies in his hands applicable to the payment of such contingent expenses.

Monies to be accounted for as contingent expenses of the Assembly.

C A P. XXXIV.

An Act to make provision for the Management of the Post-Office Department whenever it shall be transferred to the Provincial Government.

[30th May, 1849.]

WHEREAS it is expedient that a uniform and cheap rate of Postage should be established throughout British America; And whereas the Imperial Government has signified to His Excellency the Governor-General its readiness to relinquish the management of the Post-Office Department so soon as a uniform system of Postage should be agreed upon by the different local Governments; And whereas the different local Governments of British America have agreed upon the following propositions, namely:

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Recital of propositions agreed to by the several British American Governments.

That there be one uniform rate of three pence, Provincial Currency, throughout British North America ;

That no Transit Postage between the Provinces be allowed ;

That two pence sterling the half ounce shall remain as the rate in operation as regards letters by British Mails, to be extended to countries having postal conventions with Great Britain, (unless Her Majesty's Government shall see fit to permit this rate to be changed to three pence currency) ;

That the Pre-payment of Postage shall be optional ;

That each Province shall retain the amount of Postage it collects ;

That the Packet Postage shall be paid in England, the Provincial rate of two pence sterling to belong to the Province which collects it, and if pre-paid in England, to be credited to the Province to which the letter is addressed ;

That no privilege of Franking be allowed ;

That Postage Stamps for Pre-payment be allowed, and Colonial Stamps be engraved ;

That Newspaper, Pamphlet and Magazine Postage be allowed to remain at present rates, with power to each Legislature to send them free of charge ;

And that the rate of remuneration for the Transport of British Mails by Express through the Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick be left for future arrangement.

And whereas the Imperial Government has approved the said propositions, but nevertheless Legislative action is necessary to enable Her Majesty's Government to give effect to the proposed arrangements ; And whereas it is expedient to enable the Governor-General in Council to give effect to such arrangements as he may deem right for the establishment of a uniform rate of Postage, so soon as the necessary enactment may have been passed by the Imperial Legislature : Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower-Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to enter into such arrangements with the Imperial Government, and with the Provincial Governments of the other British North American Provinces, as shall, in the opinion of the Governor in Council, be expedient to secure a uniform and cheap rate of Postage ; And that it shall also be lawful for the Governor in Council to make all such regulations for the management of the Post-Office Department and the Officers thereof, and of all matters thereunto belonging, as to Him may seem meet, and from time to time to alter the same ; which regulations shall have the same force and effect as if embodied in this Act until the expiration of the next Session of the Provincial Parliament.

Governor in Council may enter into arrangements and make regulations for the management of the Post-Office Department, until the end of the next Session.

II. And be it enacted, That such Regulations as shall be then in force shall be laid before both Houses of the Provincial Parliament within ten days after the opening of the next Session of the said Parliament, and that the same shall remain permanently in force as law, unless it shall be otherwise provided in some Act to be passed during the said Session.

Regulations to be laid before the P. O. Parliament, and to remain in force unless it be otherwise provided.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to pay out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund such sums (if any) as may be required to make up any deficiency in the Funds arising from the Revenue of the Post-Office Department to meet the expenses thereof.

Appropriation to meet any deficiency, in the P. O. Revenue to meet its expenses.

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An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province.

[30th May, 1849.]

WHEREAS the Laws now in force in this Province respecting Land Surveyors and the Survey and Admeasurement of Lands are in many cases, owing to the changes which have taken place in the method of surveying lands, found to be inapplicable: And whereas it is expedient to consolidate and amend them: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower-Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Ordinance passed in the twenty-fifth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, by the Lieutenant-Governor and Legislative Council of the late Province of Quebec, intituled, *An Ordinance concerning Land Surveyors and the Admeasurement of Lands*,—and the Act of the Legislature of the late Province of Upper-Canada, passed in the thirty-eighth year of the Reign of His said late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, *An Act to ascertain and establish on a permanent footing the boundary lines of the different Townships of this Province*,—and the Act of the said Legislature, passed in the fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His said late Majesty King George the Third, and intituled, *An Act to repeal an Ordinance of the Province of Quebec, passed in the twenty-fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Ordinance concerning Land Surveyors and the Admeasurement of Lands,' and also to extend the provisions of an Act passed in the thirty-eighth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act to ascertain and establish on a permanent footing the boundary lines of the different Townships of this Province, and further to regulate the manner in which Lands are hereafter to be Surveyed,'*—and the Act of the said Legislature, passed in the second year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to extend the provisions of an Act passed in the fifty-ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, 'An Act to repeal an Ordinance of the Province of Quebec, passed in the twenty-fifth year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Ordinance concerning Land Surveyors and the Admeasurement of Lands, and also to extend the provisions of an Act passed in the thirty-*

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Certain Ordinances and Acts repealed.

Quebec, 25 G. 3. c. 3.

U. C. 38 Geo. 3. c. 1.

U. C. 59 G. 3. c. 14.

U. C. 2 Vic. c. 17.

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