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An Act to indemnify Members of the Legislative Assembly for their expenses in attending the Sessions of the Legislature. 30th May, 1849.

Whereas it is expedient to make provision by law for indemnifying Members of the Legislative Assembly for the expenses by them incurred in attending the Sessions of the Provincial Parliament: 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 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.

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.

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.

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.