

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada*, passed in the year 1854. Quebec: Stewart Derbyshire and George Desbarts, 1854.

18 Victoria – Chapter 89

**An Act to amend the Act amending the Act granting a Civil List to Her Majesty, by increasing the Salaries of certain Judicial Functionaries and other Officers therein mentioned, and to fix those of certain other Public Officers. Assented to 30th May, 1855.**

Whereas it is expedient to increase the Salaries of certain Judicial and other Functionaries and Officers hereinafter mentioned, and to authorize the Governor in Council, in cases where he shall deem it right, to increase within certain limits the Salaries and allowances of the Subordinate Officers in the Public Service: 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, as follows:

I. For and notwithstanding any thing to the contrary in the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to reduce the Salaries attached to certain Judicial Officers, in the cases therein mentioned, and to fix the Salaries of the Speakers of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly*, or in the Act thereby amended, passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act for granting a Civil List to Her Majesty*, or in the Post Office Act, or in any other Act or Law, the following Salaries shall and may be paid to the several Judicial and other Officers hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:

To the Chancellor of Upper Canada, and to each of the Chief Justices of the several Superior Courts of Law in Upper and Lower Canada, twelve hundred and fifty pounds currency per annum;

To each of the Vice Chancellors and each of the Puisne Justices of the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, in Upper Canada, and to each of the Puisne Judges of the Court of Queen's Bench and of the Superior Court in Lower Canada, one thousand pounds currency per annum;

To each of the Circuit Judges in Lower Canada, Six Hundred and Fifty Pounds per annum;

To each of the following Officers, namely: The President of Committees of the Executive Council, the Attorney General for Lower Canada, the Attorney General for Upper Canada, the Receiver General of this Province, the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Chief Commissioner of Public Works, the Postmaster General, the Provincial Secretary, and the Inspector General of Public Accounts, Twelve Hundred and Fifty Pounds Currency, per annum;

To the Speaker of the Legislative Council, when he is also a Member of the Executive Council for this Province, Twelve Hundred and Fifty Pounds Currency, per annum;

To the Solicitor General for Lower Canada and to the Solicitor General for Upper Canada, each Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Currency, per annum.

Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or require the reduction of the salary of any person now holding any one of the said offices, who is by law entitled to receive a higher salary than that hereby assigned to the office he holds, but such higher salary shall continue to be the salary of such office so long as he shall hold the same.

II. For and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the Acts aforesaid or in any other Act or law, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to make such increase as he shall see fit to the salaries of the subordinate officers in the public service, not exceeding in any case the following rates, that is to say:

On salaries not exceeding two hundred pounds per annum, twenty-five per cent;

On salaries exceeding two hundred pounds but not exceeding three hundred pounds per annum, twenty per cent;

On salaries exceeding three hundred pounds but not exceeding four hundred pounds per annum, fifteen per cent;

On salaries exceeding four hundred pounds per annum, a sum not greater than the *maximum* increase on salaries of four hundred pounds per annum.

III. The increase of salary granted by or under the authority of this Act, shall take effect from the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five.

IV. Such sums as may be required, in addition to the sums granted by the said Act for granting a Civil List to Her Majesty, for the purpose of paying the salaries hereby assigned to the Chancellor of Upper Canada and to the Chief Justices, Vice-Chancellors, Justices and Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in Upper and Lower Canada, shall be and are hereby granted to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and shall be payable yearly out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province on Warrants of the Governor thereof.

V. The due application of the moneys hereby appropriated, shall be accounted for to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, through the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the time being, in such manner and form as Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors shall direct, and accounted for to the two Houses of the Provincial Parliament at the then next session thereof.