



BY AUTHORITY.

ANNO DECIMO OCTAVO VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. V.

An Act to continue Chapter Fifteen, Title Three, of the Revised Statutes, "*Of the Export Duty on Lumber.*"

Section.

1. Cap. 15, Revised Statutes, continued.

Section.

2. What Act not to interfere with.

Passed 31st March 1855.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly :—

1. Chapter 15, Title III, of the Revised Statutes, "*Of the Export Duty on Lumber,*" is hereby continued in force until the first day of May which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty five.

2. This Act shall not interfere with the operation of an Act passed in the eighteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act for giving effect on the part of the Province of New Brunswick to a certain Treaty between Her Majesty and the United States of America.*

CAP. VI.

An Act to continue for a further period the Act intituled *An Act to provide for the prompt payment of all demands upon the Provincial Treasury.*

Act 2 V. c. 44, continued, and authority given to continue a certain agreement.

Passed 31st March 1855.

WHEREAS in and by virtue of the provisions of an Act made and passed in the second year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, intituled *An Act to provide for the prompt payment of all demands upon the Provincial Treasury*, a certain agreement was made and entered into by and between the Treasurer of the Province and the Bank of New Brunswick for the purposes of the said Act, which has been continued to the present time: And whereas the aforesaid Act will expire on the first day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, and it is considered advisable to continue the provision thereof, under certain conditions;

Be it therefore enacted by the Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, That an Act made and passed in the second year of Her present Majesty's Reign, intituled *An Act to provide for the prompt payment of all demands upon the Provincial Treasury*, be and the same is hereby continued for the further term of five years from the first day of April which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, and that the Treasurer of the Province, with the assent of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to continue the agreement at present existing with the said Bank of New Brunswick, during the continuance of this Act; provided always, that no greater rate of interest than five per centum be hereafter paid on the said agreement.

CAP. VII.

An Act for the better supervision and improvement of the Great Roads and Public Works.

Section.

1. Appointment of a Board.
2. Annual report to be made.
3. Officers and Servants, appointment and pay of.
4. Witnesses and production of Books; penalty.
5. Fines, payment of.
6. Oath, authority to administer.
7. Chief Commissioner to have authority of a Supervisor.

Section.

8. Accounts of moneys.
9. Expenses, payment of.
10. Contracts to be in name of Her Majesty.
11. Supervisors, appointment and remuneration of, may be altered.
12. No member but Chief Commissioner to be paid.
13. His salary.

Passed 3d April 1855.

BE it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council, and Assembly, as follows :—

1. The Governor in Council may establish a Board, which shall have the general supervision and control of all the Great Roads and Bridges, and all Public Works, except Bye Roads, connected with the improvement of the Province; such Board to consist of a Chief Commissioner and two other persons, being members of the Executive Council.

2. The Chief Commissioner shall annually make a Report to the Governor in Council of all the Great Roads, and any other Provincial Work upon which the public money is expended, for the purpose of being laid before the Legislature, with a detailed account of the expenditure of the past year, and the amount required for the next year, specifying the objects thereof.

3. The Board may employ the necessary officers and servants, to be approved of by the Governor in Council, who shall define their duties and fix the compensation for their services.

4. The Board may require the attendance of any person as a witness, and examine him on oath touching any matter over which they have control, or relating to the expenditure of any public money thereon, and may require the production of any books, papers, or things relating thereto. If any person, on being tendered his reasonable expenses, neglect to attend the summons of the Board, or of any member thereof, he shall be subject to a fine not exceeding ten pounds, with costs to be taxed by the Judge, for every neglect or disobedience of the summons, which any Justice of the Supreme Court may impose on the application of a member of the Board, and on proof before such Judge that the person had due notice in writing, and was tendered his reasonable expenses, unless he shews sufficient excuse for non-attendance to the satisfaction of the Judge. If he neglect to pay the fine, the Judge may, by warrant under his hand directed to any Sheriff, commit him to gaol for any term not exceeding thirty days, unless the fine be sooner paid with costs.

5. All fines collected under the authority of this Act shall be paid to and accounted for by the Chief Commissioner.

6. The Chief Commissioner may administer an oath to any person accounting to the Board or giving evidence, if the Board deem it necessary for the public interest.

7. The Chief Commissioner shall, in addition to any power conferred by this Act, have all the power and authority of a Supervisor.

8. All moneys received and expended by the Board shall be accounted for in the same manner as other public moneys.

9. The Governor in Council shall by Warrant on the Treasury in favour of the Chief Commissioner, draw any moneys requisite to pay the necessary expenses of the Board.

10. All contracts made by the Chief Commissioner shall be made in the name of Her Majesty.