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CAP. VI.

An Act to provide for the repair and improvement of Roads and Bridges, and other Public Works and Services.

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1 Moneys granted.	6 Moneys when to be expended; proviso.
2 By whom and how expended and accounted for.	7 On what roads expended.
3 Expended by Municipal Commissioners, how accounted for.	8 Bonds to be given.
4 Money how paid.	9 If Commissioner be a defaulter, Government may appoint.
5 Compensation to Commissioners.	10 Vacancy, how filled.

Passed 8th April, 1874.

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

1. There shall be granted to the Lieutenant Governor the sum of money hereinafter mentioned, to provide for the improvement of the Roads and Bridges, and other Public Works and Services,—

A sum not exceeding two hundred and five thousand dollars, to provide for the repairs of the Great and Bye Roads of the Province, and for Bridges thereon, for the repairs and maintenance of the Public Buildings, and for Steam Navigation.

2. The said sum of money, and every part thereof, shall be expended under the direction of the Board of Works, and of such Supervisors and Commissioners as the Governor in Council may appoint, and shall be paid to the several and respective persons who shall actually work and labour in making, completing and repairing the several Roads, Bridges, and Works, or in furnishing materials therefor, at the most reasonable rate that such labour and materials can be provided where such sums are expended on Roads, Bridges, or Works; and every Commissioner so to be appointed shall, as early in the season as may be, carefully examine the part of the Road where any sums of money are to be expended, and shall lay out and mark off such allotment or allotments as may be conveniently contracted for, in order that the making and repairing of the same may be let by auction to the lowest bidder; and in all cases such Commissioners respectively are hereby required to put a sufficient number of notices, not less than ten days previous to such sale, in three or more of the public places of the neighbourhood where the work is to be done, which notices shall specify and describe the work to be performed, and also the place, day and hour when and where the same will be let by auction as aforesaid; and it shall further be the duty of such Commissioners respectively, to attend personally at the time and place so appointed, and there to let out to the lowest bidder such allotment or allotments, and at the same time to enter into written contracts for the faithful performance of the work in the time and manner set forth in such contract; and in cases where the work required to be performed cannot be conveniently let at auction, it shall be the duty of the Commissioners to agree with fit and proper persons to perform the same by day's labour, provided that in no case shall more than one quarter part of any grant be so expended; provided nevertheless, that when it shall be made to appear

to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, that there is a scarcity of seed for planting and sowing in any Parish, that the Governor in Council may afford relief, by authorizing the Commissioners of Bye Roads appointed in such Parish to expend a portion of the Bye Road money in the purchase and distribution of seed for planting and sowing, such Commissioners taking an agreement from the person assisted to perform work on the Bye Roads under direction of the Commissioners to the value of such seed, and on refusal to perform the work such person may be sued for the amount by the Commissioner before any Justice of the Peace, in the ordinary way of collecting debts; and the said Commissioners shall severally keep an exact account of such moneys, and shall produce receipts in writing of the several and respective persons to whom any part of the said money shall be paid, as vouchers for such payment, and render an account thereof in duplicate, upon oath, which oath any one of the Justices of the Peace in the several Counties is hereby authorized to administer; one copy of which, with vouchers, to be transmitted to the Secretary's Office on or before the first day of December next, to be laid before the General Assembly at the next Session, and the other copy to be filed in the Office of the Clerks of the Peace in their respective Counties, for public information.

3. The Commissioners appointed by the Municipalities of York, Carleton, and Sunbury, when any of the aforementioned sums of money appropriated for Roads and Bridges is issued to such Municipality, shall account to the Municipality appointing them for the same, and the Municipality shall account therefor in the same manner as the Commissioners appointed by the Governor in Council; but the Municipality shall take Bonds in the name of the Queen from each of the Commissioners so appointed by them, which may be enforced in the same manner as other Crown debts.

4. The before mentioned sums of money shall be paid by Warrant or Cheque out of the public moneys now or hereafter in the Receiver General's hands.

5. The said Commissioners entrusted with the expenditure of the several and respective sums of money shall, for their time and labour, be allowed to retain at and after the rate of five per centum out of the said moneys so entrusted to them respectively.

6. The said Commissioners for the expenditure of money on Roads and Bridges, shall expend the said several and respective sums of money on the Roads on or before the first day of September; provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to prevent any Commissioner from expending moneys after the first day of September, when it shall be necessary to expend the same for building bridges, removing rocks, stumps, trees, or other obstructions.

7. None of the before mentioned sums of money, or any part thereof, shall be laid out or expended in the making or improving any alteration that may be made in any of the said Roads, unless such alterations shall have been first laid out and recorded.

8. Every person who may be appointed a Commissioner for the expenditure of money hereinbefore granted, before entering upon the duties of his office shall enter into a bond to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, for the due performance of his duties as such Commissioner, and the faithful expenditure