

cient persons willing to become sureties on behalf of the contractors for the due performance of the work to be done and performed; and the Commissioners aforesaid, shall on the day by them fixed for opening such tenders and proposals accordingly meet and open the same, and forthwith decide in favor of the person or persons who shall have offered to do and perform the work at the lowest rate with sureties to that effect as herein above required.

No advance of money to be made to any persons until the contracts for the works have been signed and concluded upon between the parties.

VI. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no advance in money shall be made to any person or persons willing to contract as aforesaid, until the contract or agreement, contracts or agreements for the whole and entire work or works to be done and performed, shall have been signed and concluded by the person or persons offering to contract, and by their sureties, nor until a report in writing to the Commissioners by some person appointed by them for the purpose shall have been made and given, certifying that the work or works contracted for, have been actually commenced, according to the contract, whereupon one third of the money to which the whole contract may amount, may be advanced and paid to the contractor or contractors and in like manner upon a similar report, in writing certifying that one half the works contracted for, has been done and executed according to the contract, another third of such total amount may be advanced and paid, and the remaining third shall be paid to the contractor or contractors after the completion of the work according to the contract and a report of *Experts* have been made to that effect.

Governor to issue his warrant for carrying into effect the necessary expenses.

VII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the advances and payments to the contractor or contractors, as well as the necessary expenses incurred or to be incurred for the surveys, plans and estimates relating to the intended improvements aforesaid, and all expenses of superintending, management or direction of any of the works to be done in and towards the said improvements shall be made by Warrant or Warrants of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government of the Province for the time being, on certificates from the Commissioners, that the advances and payments required on account of any contract or contracts are in conformity with the provisions of this Act, and for any other of the expenses to be incurred, that the same may be advanced, the person or persons requiring the same, consistently with the safety of the public interest.

Commissioners to keep a regular journal of their proceedings.

VIII. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Commissioners under this Act shall keep a regular and correct Journal of all their proceedings and decisions with respect to the improvements aforesaid, intended by this Act, copies of which Journal they shall be bound to lay before the Legislature