

Right Honourable Charles Murray, Earl Cathcart, the then Administrator of the Government of the same, to the said Commissioners, on the 27th day of February, 1846, it is necessary and just that the particulars of such losses, not yet paid and satisfied, should form the subject of more minute inquiry under Legislative authority, and that the same, so far only as they may have arisen from the total or partial, unjust, unnecessary or wanton destruction of the dwellings, buildings, property and effects of the said inhabitants, and from the seizure, taking or carrying away of their property and effects, should be paid and satisfied; provided that none of the persons who have been convicted of high treason, alleged to have been committed in that part of this Province formerly the Province of Lower Canada, since the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, or who having been charged with high treason or other offences of a treasonable nature, and having been committed to the custody of the Sheriff in the Gaol of Montreal, submitted themselves to the will and pleasure of Her Majesty, and were thereupon transported to Her Majesty's Islands of Bermuda, shall be entitled to any indemnity for losses sustained during or after the said Rebellion, or in consequence thereof: Be it therefore enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That, for the purposes of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to authorize the issue of Debentures, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, at or within twenty years after the date thereof, respectively, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent, payable out of the said Fund on such day in each year as shall be therein specified, provided the total amount of the said Debentures shall not exceed the sum hereinafter mentioned.

Governor in Council may authorize issue of Debentures for purposes of this Act