

Comm's. may employ Agents, Engineers, Surveyors, &c. and pay them.

place they may deem most conducive to the public good : And further the said Commissioners shall have power to employ such and so many Agents, Engineers, Surveyors, Draftsmen and other persons, as in their opinion may be necessary to enable them to fulfil and discharge the duties imposed upon them by this Act, and to allow and pay the said Agents, Engineers, Surveyors, Draftsmen and other persons for their respective services, such sum or sums as may be adequate and reasonable.

Duties of the Commissioners.

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the said Commissioners as soon as may be after the passing of this Act. to cause those parts of this Province, which may lie upon or contiguous to the probable courses and ranges of the said Canals, to be explored and examined for the purpose of fixing and determining the most eligible and proper routes for the same, and to cause all necessary Surveys and Levels to be taken, and accurate Maps, Field Books and Drafts thereof to be made, and further to adopt and recommend proper plans for the construction of and formation of the said Canals, and of the locks, dams, embankments, tunnels, and aqueducts which may be necessary for the completion of the same ; and to cause all necessary Plans, Drafts and Models thereof to be executed under their direction, and also to devise ways and means for completing the said Canals.

Plans and estimates to be made, which together with all maps field books &c. &c. the Comm'rs. shall transmit to the Governor, &c. accompanied by a report of all their proceedings to be laid before the Prov. Parliam't within 20 days after their session in 1822.

V. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the said Commissioners to make or cause to be made with as much accuracy and minuteness as may be, calculations and estimates of the sum or sums of money which will be necessary for completing the said Canals, according to the plan or plans which may be adopted and recommended by them for the construction or formation of the same ; and to cause the said calculations and estimates, and all Surveys, Maps, Field Books, Plans, Drafts and Models authorized and directed by this Act, or so many thereof as may be completed, together with a plain and comprehensive Report of all their proceedings under and by virtue of this Act, to be transmitted to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province, to be laid before the Provincial Parliament, within twenty days after the Session which will be in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two.

Governor to issue his warrant in favor of the Commrs. for such sums of money not exceeding in the whole £20000 as shall be required to defray the expences of carrying this Act into effect. to be accounted for to the Lords Comm. of E. M. Treasury.

VI. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government of this Province, from time to time during the continuance of this Act, to issue his Warrant to the Receiver General in favor of the said Commissioners for such sum or sums of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Two Thousand Pounds Currency, to enable them to pay the necessary expenses to be incurred in carrying into effect the provisions of this Act, which sum or sums of money, shall be paid out of any monies now in the hands of or which may hereafter come into the hands of the said Receiver General, and unappropriated, and shall be accounted for to His Majesty through the Lords Commissioners of His Treasury, for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors shall be graciously pleased to direct : *provided always,* That an account in detail of all monies paid under the authority of this Act, be transmitted to be laid before the Commons House of Assembly, at the then next ensuing

Account in detail to be laid before the House of Assembly at their next session and