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## BILL.

An Act to remove doubts as to the right of parties to recover the value of Work done on Roads in in Lower Canada, under Acts which have since expired.

HEREAS divers persons employed in making or Preamble. repairing roads under the requirements and provisions of Acts of the Legislature of Lower Canada now expired, had acquired rights to sums of money secured by

- 5 hypotheque, according to the said Acts, upon the lands through, upon or in front of, or near which, such roads were laid out, and by reason of the expiration of such Acts, doubts may be entertained whether such persons can maintain suits at law for the recovery of the sums so
- 10 due to them; For the removal of such doubts, be it declared and enacted, &c.

And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, Acts to be That in all cases in which any such claims as are men- in force for tioned in the preamble to this Act, shall be made and sub- certain pur-

- 15 mitted for adjudication to any Court of Justice in Lower <sup>poses.</sup> Canada, the said Acts respectively shall be held and considered to have been and to remain in full force and virtue, in so far as may be necessary to enable any such party as aforesaid, to maintain any action for labour performed or
- 20 material furnished, or money expended, upon any roads or highways, whether such person shall make such claim in his own right as having peformed the labour, furnished the materials, or expended money, or as assignee of some Road Commissioner, Road Surveyor, or other Road Offi-
- 25 cer, or as assignee of any other party having performed such labour, furnished such materials, or expended such money, or caused the same to be done, in obedience to the said Acts or any of them, or to the directions of some Road Commissioner, Road Surveyor or other Road Offi-
- 30 cer, or other person who might lawfully require or authorize the performance of the labour, or the furnishing of the materials, or expenditure of the money out of which the said claim has grown, or for recovery of which the action may have been or may be brought.