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TRINITY HOUSE, Quebec.—Cap. 114. 675

An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the Powers and Duties of the Trinity House of Quebec, and for other purposes.—(Passed 30th May, 1849.)

The object of this Act is, as stated in the preamble, "to repeal the Acts now in force which have become "obscure by repeated amendments, and are insufficient "for the purposes for which they were framed, and "to amend and consolidate the provisions therein "contained, and to enact other provisions," for more effectually attaining the purposes for which the said Acts were passed. The Acts and parts of Acts and Ordinances repealed are, those of Lower Canada, 45 G. 3. c. 12, 47 G. 3. c. 10, 51 G. 3. c. 12, 52 G. 3. c. 12, Sect. 3. of 59 G. 3. c. 9, 2 G. 4. c. 7, 4 Wm. 4. c. 25, 4 V. c. 5, 4 V. c. 6, those of Canada 4 & 5 V. c. 15, and so much of 8 V. c. 60 as may be inconsistent with this Act. The more important and leading provisions of this Act are the following: the Corporation is continued, but under the simpler name of The Trinity House of Quebec, with provision for the continuance of suits and proceedings, rights and liabilities, &c. The present Officers are to remain, except that the Office of Clerk and that of Treasurer are hereafter to be held by separate persons. The Corporation is to consist of a Master, a Deputy Master and Seven Wardens for the present, but whenever the office of Deputy Master shall become vacant, it is not to be filled, but there are then to be a Master and Eight Wardens. There are to be two Superintendents of Pilots, one of whom is to be a Warden, and both are to be Branch Pilots. There is to be a Harbour-Master, and for the present an Assistant Harbour-Master, but the latter office is to be abolished whenever the present incumbent ceases to hold it. The Members and Officers of the Corporation are to hold office at the pleasure of the Governor. All the Officers are to have fixed salaries in place of fees, and the latter are to go towards the expenses of the Corporation. The salaries are as follows:

The Master, not exceeding.....	£250 0 0
The Harbour Master.....	500 0 0
But to be reduced to £400 whenever the present incumbent shall cease to hold the office.	
The Assistant Harbour-Master.....	111 2 2
Each Superintendent of Pilots.....	175 0 0
The Treasurer.....	350 0 0
The Clerk.....	300 0 0
But to be reduced to £250 whenever the present incumbent shall cease to hold the office.	
The Bailiff.....	100 0 0

The Corporation is to have power to make By-laws for its own government, the facility of the navigation and the regulation of the Port and Harbour of Quebec; the regulation and government of Pilots and their Apprentices for and below the Harbour of Quebec; the By-laws must be sanctioned by the Governor in Council and duly published, and no penalty imposed for contravening them is to exceed £10. The Port and Harbour of Quebec and the River St. Lawrence, as intended by the Act, are defined, as follows: the former shall comprise "all that part of the River St. Lawrence between the Basin of Portneuf, inclusively, and the Gulf St. Lawrence, that part of the Gulf St. Lawrence which is comprised within the limits of this Province, or which borders upon its coasts, and that part of all rivers, waters, creeks, bays and coves within the said limits where the tide ebbs and flows." And the latter: "that part of the River St. Lawrence between St. Patrick's Hole, inclusively, to the Cap-Rouge River inclusively, and that part of the Rivers Montmorency, Saint Charles, Etchemin, Chaudière, Cap-Rouge and others, where the tide

ebbs and flows. Divers provisions are made with regard to the qualifications of Pilots, their examination and their punishment for mal-practices, negligence or ignorance. The Trinity House is to provide Pilots' Apprentices with the means of becoming acquainted with the North Channel. Penalties are imposed for refusing to take a Pilot or for employing other than a Branch Pilot. The rates of pilotage are fixed in detail in a Schedule. The Pilot Fund established by the former Acts is continued, the Superintendents are to contribute the per centage on their salaries, and to share in the advantage of the Fund. Pilots over 60 years of age delivering up their Branches, may be allowed a pension out of the Fund. The Trinity House has full power to decide differences between Pilots and their Apprentices, and also cases between Pilots and Owners or Masters of Vessels, complaints against Pilots as such, and all complaints for contravention of this Act or of any By-law of the Trinity House, touching which no different provision is made, and the mode of bringing and conducting suits before the Trinity House is provided for, as is also the execution of the judgment, and appeal is given to a Pilot in cases where the penalty imposed on him exceeds £5, or he is suspended or deprived of his Branch, and to other parties where the amount of judgment exceeds £10. But see 14 & 15 Vict. c. 101. The appeal being to the Court of Queen's Bench in Superior Term. The duties imposed are for every Vessel leaving Quebec for a place beyond the Eastern limits of the Province, without having gone to Montreal, 5d. per ton measurement, and for Vessels so leaving, after having left the Port of Montreal, 2d. per ton measurement, and provision is made for enforcing payment. Coasting Vessels are to pay 4d. per ton for a license which shall be valid for the season. Provision is made for enabling the Trinity House to acquire land, &c., for the purposes of the Act, and for settling the amount of compensation to be paid, &c. No purchase of land to be made without the consent of the Governor in Council, and with such consent the Corporation may purchase or build a Steam Vessel for their use. They may borrow money to the amount of £10,000, including any sum they are already empowered to borrow. All moneys collected or borrowed under the Act, and not otherwise appropriated, are to be employed by the Corporation in the improving the navigation of the St. Lawrence, and for other purposes not inconsistent with this Act. An account of the Pilot Fund is to be published yearly in English and French, in two Newspapers at Quebec; and a detailed account of all moneys received and expended by the Corporation is to be laid before the Legislative Assembly at each Session, and the Governor may require accounts at any time. The Treasurer is to give security. An Interpretation Clause is added, and a Schedule containing the rates of Pilotage under the Act.

TURNPIKE ROADS, Montreal, purchase of St. Michel Road by Trustees of.—Cap. 120.

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the St. Michel Road, and to open a Road to the Village of Sault-au-Récollet.—(Passed 30th May, 1849.)

This Act enables the Trustees of the Montreal Turnpike Roads to purchase the property and rights of the St. Michel Road Company, incorporated under 4 V. c. 22, and to issue Debentures in favor of the said Company to an amount not exceeding £2000 as compensation. The powers of the Trustees are extended to the St. Michel Road and the Road to Sault-au-Récollet, and they are empowered to raise by loan and the issue of Debentures a sum of £3,000 in addition to the sums they are already empowered to raise, and to the £2,000 to be paid to the St. Michel Road Company. All loans under this Act being secured on the Tolls to be received by the said Trustees, and not to be chargeable on the Funds of the Province.