PUBLIC ARCHIVES

CAP. XIII.

AN ACT to establish a further Fund for the Payment of the Salaries of the Officers of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, and defraying the Comtingent Expences thereof.

WHEREAS by a certain Act of the Parliament of Great Britain, passed in the Fourteenth Year of His Majesty's Reign intituled, an Act for establishing a Fund towards further defraying the Charges of the Administration of Justice and support of the Civil Government, within the Province of Quebec in North America, it was therein amongst other things enacted, "That from and after the fifth day of April one thousand seven hundred and seventy five, there should be raised, collected and paid into His Majesty's Receiver General of the Province, for the use of His Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, a Duty of One Pound Sixteen Shillings, Sterling Money of Great Britain, for every Licence that should be granted by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Commander in Chief of the said Province, to any person or persons for keeping a House or other place of public Entertainment, or for Retailing Wine, Brandy, Rum, or other Spirituous Liquors, within the said Province." And whereas it is necessary that the said Revenue shoud be increased for the purposes of Paying the Salaries of the Officers of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, and for defraying the Contingent Expences thereof:

We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Representatives of the People of the Province of Upper Canada in Assembly met, do most humbly beseech your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the Kings Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act, passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "an Act to repeal certain parts of an Act, passed in the Fourteenth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intitled an Act for making more effectual Provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec in North America, and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province," that in addition to the said Sum of One Pound Sixteen Shillings Sterling as aforesaid, which shall still be and continue to be levied, collected and paid, as it hitherto has been levied, collected and paid by virtue of the Act aforesaid, there shall be raised and levied, collected and paid, under the same restrictions and penalties in the said Act contained, unto his Majesty's Receiver General to and for the use of his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and to and for the use of this Province, and towards the support of the Civil Government thereof the further Sum of Twenty Shillings Currency, upon every Licence that shall be granted by virtue of this Act in manner following, that is to say, that from and after the Fifth day of April, which will be in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and ninety four, it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor or Person administering the Government, by or through the Secretary of the Province, or other person empowered to issue Licences for the vending of Wine, Brandy, Rum, or other Spirituous Liquors, to ask for, demand and receive over and above the sum of One Pound Sixteen shillings Sterling as aforesaid, the further Sum of Twenty Shillings Currency, for every Licence that shall or may be granted to any person for keeping a House or any other place of public Entertainment, or for the retailing of Wine, Brandy, Rum, or other Spirituous Liquors within this Province.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that in every District throughout the said Province, one Month at least before the fifth day of April in every year, being the day whereon the said Sums of One Pound Sixteen shillings sterling, and Twenty Shillings Currency, shall be due and payable as aforesaid, the Secretary of the Province or other person empowered to issue the said Licence, shall and is hereby required to give public notice in the Upper Canada Gazette, or otherwise to every person selling Wine, Brandy, Rum, or other Spirituous Liquors as afore-