

debt of £50,000 Sterling due to His Majesty's Government and to redeem the Debentures of the Provincial Government issued for money loaned to them and payable within a short time:

*Be it, &c.* That whenever the said Welland Canal Company shall have executed a bond in due form, conditioned for the punctual payment of the interest and principal of such debentures as shall by the authority of this Province be issued for their benefit, and shall also have executed a mortgage upon the Canal and the tolls thereon as collateral security for the performance of the said condition, then it shall and may be lawful, and the Receiver General is hereby required, to issue and deliver to the directors of the said Company, the Debentures of this Province to the amount of £50,000, in sums not less than £200 each as may be required by said Directors payable to the order of said Company at the expiration of 25 years, from the passing of this act with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, semi-annually in the City of London, at such place as shall be named by the said Company and published in two newspapers of said City, at least three months before such interest shall become due and whenever any change in the place of payment shall be made, such notice shall again be given in the same manner.

*And be it, &c.* That the Receiver General may from time to time issue such further Debentures, in the same form as may be required by the said Board of Directors, to the amount of £150,000 Canada currency, making the whole issue of Debentures to said Company not exceeding £200,000 Canada currency, with which Debentures the said Company, shall be required to raise a sum sufficient to pay the debt of the Province, incurred for the Loan to them of £50,000, and pay the same into the Treasury of the Province; and the Receiver General is

hereby required to use the said money for the redemption of the debentures issued for the loan to said Company. And the said Company are also required to remove the lien of His Majesty's Government by paying off the same or procuring a discharge therefrom. The remainder of money so raised by the Debentures aforesaid, the company are authorised to use in any manner they may deem expedient for such purposes and objects as the beneficial and active use of the Canal may require.

*And be it &c.*—That it shall be the duty of the Directors in the appropriation of their tolls to make provision for the payment of the interest of the aforesaid Debentures pursuant to their tenor, sufficient for one year in advance and to have that sum always at their command before any dividend of profits to the stockholders shall be declared; and further in their annual report to the Parliament they shall particularly name the place and manner in which the same is deposited or invested.

*And be it &c.*—That all such Debentures with the interest thereon and all charges incident or attending the same shall be and are hereby charged and chargeable upon the fund provided by the securities given for the repayment thereof by the said Welland Canal Company and if at any time satisfactory provision shall not have been made, in the manner named in the preceding clause for the payment of the interest and the principal when due, it shall then be lawful and the——is hereby required in the name and by the authority of this Province to take possession of the said Canal and appoint such agents, collectors and other officers as may be requisite to manage the same, and deposit and apply the proceeds thereof to the payment of the interest and principal aforesaid.