

3rd day of April, 1916, and the further sum of \$71,944.08 received from other sources, all of which sums of money were by law applicable to the maintenance and conduct of the said schools; and the Commissioners in the maintenance, conduct and management of the said schools, also incurred a liability to the Bank of Ottawa for \$71,891.16 and interest thereon which still remains unpaid; and whereas the Board has commenced actions against the Quebec Bank, the Bank of Ottawa and the Commissioners to recover the monies so disbursed as aforesaid and has refused to assume the said liability to the Bank of Ottawa and it is desirable to declare the rights of the parties;

Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

*Relief of commissioners.*

1. It is declared that the Commissioners disbursed the monies and incurred the liability herein recited for payments and expenditures which were necessary to maintain and carry on the said schools and which should have been made by the Board in the proper conduct and management of the said schools but for its wrongful neglect and default as aforesaid.

*Commission entitled to indemnity from Board.*

2. It is further declared that the said payments and expenditures shall be deemed for all purposes to have been made by the Commissioners for and on behalf and at the request of the Board and that the Commissioners are entitled to indemnity from the Board in respect thereof.

*Debt to bank to be debt of Board.*

3. It is further declared that the said liability of \$71,891.16 and interest thereon to the Bank of Ottawa subject to the rights of third parties, if any, is a debt of the Board to the said Bank and that the Bank is entitled to set off the sum against any other monies of the Board in its hands.

*Payment of debt to bank out of consolidated revenue.*

4. In default of payment of the said liability by the Board the same may be paid to the bank out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province and thereafter the said sum with proper interest thereon