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An Act to provide for the transfer of the management of the Inland Posts to the Provincial Government, and for the regulation of the said Department.

2 **W**HEREAS by the Act of the Parliament of the
 United Kingdom, passed in the Session held in the
 twelfth and thirteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, and
 4 intituled, *An Act for enabling Colonial Legislatures to*
establish Inland Posts, the Legislatures or proper legis-
 6 lative authorities of Her Majesty's Colonies are empowered,
 by Acts, Laws or Ordinances, to be from time to time
 8 for that purpose made and enacted, in the manner and
 subject to the conditions of law required in respect of Acts,
 10 Laws or Ordinances of such Legislatures or Legislative
 authorities, to make such provisions as such Legislatures
 12 or Legislative authorities may think fit, for and
 concerning the establishment, maintenance and regulation
 14 of Posts or Post Communications within such Colonies
 respectively, and for charging rates of postage for the
 16 conveyance of letters, packets, newspapers and other
 printed papers, by such Posts or Post Communications,
 18 and for appropriating the Revenue to be derived therefrom;
 provided that where in any Colony Her Majesty's Post
 20 Master General shall have established any Post or Post
 Communication, and his powers and privileges in relation
 22 to such Post or Post communication shall not have
 determined under the said Act, no such Act, Law or
 24 Ordinance as aforesaid, shall take effect unless assented
 to by Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy
 26 Council, nor until the time when such assent shall be
 proclaimed in the Colony, or such subsequent time as in
 28 the order of Her Majesty in Council, by which the assent
 to such Act, Ordinance, Law or Ordinance may be signi-
 30 fied, shall be fixed in that behalf: And whereas it is expe-
 dient that a uniform and cheap rate of postage should be
 32 established throughout the several Colonies of British
 North America, and with a view to the establishment
 34 thereof, the Local Governments of the said Colonies
 have agreed upon certain conditions hereinafter mentioned
 36 and forming part of the provisions of this Act, and it is
 therefore expedient to exercise the powers so vested as
 38 aforesaid in the Legislature of this Province; Be it therefore
 enacted, &c.

Preamble.

Imperial Act,
12 & 13 Vic.
cap. 66.