

PART II.

Extracts from
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of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to grant and appropriate Portions of the said Reserves, not exceeding One hundred Acres in each Case, as Residences for officiating Clergymen or Ministers of Religion, and for the building Churches, Chapels, and Places of Public Worship therein; and in case such Clergy Reserves shall not be found in the Neighbourhood required, to procure by Exchange of such Clergy Reserve, not exceeding One hundred Acres, or by Purchase, for any Sum not exceeding , in each Case, convenient Sites for the Purposes in this Clause mentioned, and to grant and appropriate the Lands so required for such Purposes; which Grant or Appropriation shall be made to the officiating Clergyman and his Successors as a Corporation Sole, or to Trustees named for the Purpose by the respective Congregations, as the Tenets and Discipline of such Churches or Denomination of Christians shall respectively require.

“ 5. And be it further enacted, &c. That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, with the Advice of the Executive Council, to order and direct, by his Warrant, the Payment of the yearly Stipends at present payable to the Clergy or Ministers of Religion, out of public Funds in this Province, to be paid out of the yearly Interest accruing on Sales of the said Clergy Reserves, and upon the Investment of the Proceeds thereof, during the Incumbency of the present Clergymen or Ministers.

“ 6. And be it further enacted, &c. That it shall and may be lawful for the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the Advice of the Executive Council, to appropriate and direct the Payment, out of the said Interest Money, of Stipends, towards the Support of Clergymen and Ministers of Religion, duly appointed, according to the Rules of their respective Church or Congregation, in the following Cases, that is to say, whenever there shall be shown to the said Lieutenant Governor in Council that there is resident within reasonable Distance of any Church, Chapel, or Place of Public Worship, a Population of Adults, who shall subscribe a Declaration, setting forth their Desire to attend such Church, Chapel, or Place of Public Worship, and shall subscribe and pay to the said Clergyman or Minister of Religion a yearly Sum of Money not less than Pounds, then and in such Case the public Stipend or Salary to be paid to such Clergyman or Minister of Religion shall be equal to the said private Subscription: Provided always that in no Case shall such public Stipend amount to more than Pounds.

“ 7. And be it further enacted, &c. That the Interest Money aforesaid shall be chargeable in the first place with the Stipends or Salaries of the Clergy or Ministers of Religion now paid out of any public Funds in this Province; and that in the Case of Alteration, by Death or Removal, of any of the said Incumbents, and also in case of the Establishment of new Churches, Chapels, and Places of Public Worship, the Interest Money aforesaid shall be paid and distributed as in this Act directed, Preference and Priority being given according to the Priority of Time in the building such Church, Chapel, or Place of Public Worship, and to the Priority of Time in subscribing and paying a Clergyman or Minister of Religion attached thereto, out of private Funds as aforesaid.

“ 8. And be it further enacted, &c. That a Book shall be kept in the Office of the Provincial Secretary and Registrar, in which shall be yearly entered the Township or Place at which each Church, Chapel, or Place of Public Worship shall be erected, the Name of the officiating Clergyman, the Number of Adults attached to his Congregation, and the Name of the Church or Denomination of Christians to which he belongs; which Entries shall be founded on yearly Returns, signed by the respective Clergymen or Ministers of Religion, certified under the Hands of at least Twelve Freeholders of his Congregation.

“ 9. And be it further enacted, &c. That no public Aid under this Act shall be given to any Clergyman or Minister of Religion who shall not in the first place take and subscribe the Oath of Allegiance, and who is not a natural-born or naturalized Subject of the British Crown.

“ 10. And be it further enacted, &c. That no public Aid shall be extended to any Clergyman or Minister of Religion who shall not produce satisfactory