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An Act to encourage and provide for the
extension of the practice of Vaccination.

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WHEREAS it is expedient to encourage, and to provide for the extension of, the practice of Vaccination in this Province: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows: Preamble.

5 I. It shall be the duty of the Trustees, Governors, Directors, or other officers or persons having at any time the control and management of any Hospital or Dispensary now or hereafter receiving aid from the Public Funds of this Province, to keep at all times in such Hospital or Dispensary an adequate supply of vaccine matter for the following purposes. A supply of vaccine matter for certain purposes to be kept in every Hospital, &c., receiving aid from the public funds.

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First—For the vaccination by a legally qualified Medical Practitioner attached to such Hospital or Dispensary, at the expense of the same of all poor persons, and at their own expense of all other persons, who may attend at such Hospital or Dispensary for that purpose, during one day in every week; the fee to be charged for such vaccination not in any case to exceed five shillings, and to be used and applied for the benefit of the Hospital or Dispensary;

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Second—For the purpose of furnishing on application to each and every legally qualified Medical Practitioner such reasonable quantities of said matter as he may from time to time require;

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Third—For the purpose of furnishing on application to the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, or his Assistant, or to any visiting Superintendent of Indian Affairs, such reasonable quantities of said matter as he may from time to time require for the use and benefit of any settlement of Indians.

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II. No warrant shall hereafter issue for the payment of any sum of money granted by the Legislature to any Hospital or Dispensary, unless nor until a certificate, signed by a Medical Officer of such Hospital or Dispensary, to the effect that there is actually on hand in such Hospital or Dispensary a supply of vaccine matter which is expected to be sufficient for the purposes aforesaid from the date of such certificate, shall have been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Executive Council; and from and after the first day of January next, no such Warrant shall issue unless nor until a certificate signed as aforesaid, to the effect afore-

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Conditions on which warrants for amounts of grants to Hospitals, &c., shall issue.

said, and further to the effect that at no time since the date of the then last certificate in this behalf has the demand upon such Hospital or Dispensary for such matter for the purposes aforesaid exceeded the supply thereof on hand in such Hospital or Dispensary, shall have been filed as aforesaid.

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Annual statement to be made by Trustees of Hospitals, &c.

III. The Trustees, Governors, Directors, or other Officers or persons having for the time being the control and management of any Hospital or Dispensary to which aid may be granted during the present Session or any future Session of the Parliament of this Province, shall cause to be transmitted to the Governor General, through the Provincial Secretary, 10 in time to admit of copies thereof being laid before the two Houses of Parliament of this Province during the first fifteen days of the then next Session, a statement certified by the proper Officers of such Hospital or Dispensary, shewing the number of persons who have applied for and received free vaccination, the number of persons who have applied for 15 and received vaccination at their own expense, and the number, amount, and application of fees charged and received for vaccination.

Commencement of Act.

IV. This Act shall take effect on and from the first day of August next.