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An Act to enable Local Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, from the failure last year of the crops in many of the Townships of Lower Canada, many persons will not be able to procure seed, without assistance, and it is expedient to empower Local Municipal Councils, to raise money for their relief ;

5 Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

1. Notwithstanding any law in force in Lower Canada, the Council of any local Municipality may pass a By law, or By-laws, for raising money, not exceeding in the whole one thousand dollars, to be expended
10 in the purchase of seed, and for the relief of persons suffering from the failure of the crops, and for no other purpose ; and the debentures issued under such By-laws shall be a charge on the Municipality.

2. Such by-law shall be in the form of Schedule A. to this Act.

3. It shall be lawful for any Council to pass a By-law for the purpose of obtaining a Loan on the Credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund for Lower Canada for the purposes of this Act, and it shall not be necessary to make the publications of such by-law nor to submit the same for the approval of the electors as required by the Act respecting the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund. But nothing
20 in this Act shall be construed as authorizing any issue on the credit of the said Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund beyond the sum now remaining undisposed of under the provisions of section eighty-seven of the above cited Act.

4. The Councils shall lend the money so borrowed, and may also lend
25 any surplus Township funds in their possession, not otherwise appropriated, to the persons aforesaid, for the purposes aforesaid.

5. The Local Councils, if they deem it expedient, may purchase seed and deliver the same to the persons aforesaid, in the place of money.

30 6. The Council shall by By-law, declare the time within which such loan shall be repaid, and shall impose, levy and collect a special annual rate, over and above all other rates, against the estate, real and personal of the party borrowing, and all the rights and remedies shall apply thereto, which now or at any time hereafter shall apply to the col-
35 lection of any other rate or tax upon such land, or the Council, if it see fit, make take other security, real or personal, for the payment of such loan.

7. No money raised under this Act shall be applied to any other purpose, and any surplus thereof unapplied, shall be added to the sinking fund, for the redemption of the debentures issued as aforesaid.

8. No money lent or seed delivered, under this Act, shall be seized in execution, garnished or attached. 5

9. No By-law shall be passed and no debentures shall be issued, under any By-law passed in pursuance of this Act, after the first day of November, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-three.

10. So long as any sum of money is payable to the Receiver General under this Act, he may always retain in his hands any sum of money 10 which would otherwise be payable by him to such Municipality crediting the same to it in his accounts with it under this Act.

11. This Act applies to Lower Canada only.

SCHEDULE A.

BY-LAW No.

Enacted by the Municipal Council of _____ under and by virtue of the Statute of this Province, passed in the year One thousand eight hundred and _____ entitled: *An Act to enable Local Councils to raise money for assisting persons in certain cases to sow their land, and for other purposes.*

WHEREAS, it is expedient to raise the sum of \$ _____, to be applied to the purposes in the said Statute set forth; Be it therefore enacted, under the authority of the said Statute, that the said sum be forthwith raised for such purposes, and that the Mayor do cause debentures of the Municipality of _____ to be issued, for the sum of \$ _____, which debentures shall be payable within ten years, at furthest, from the date hereof, and shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly, on the thirtieth day of June and thirty-first day of December, in each year; principal and interest to be payable at _____ in the _____ of _____

And whereas the sum of \$ _____ will required to be raised annually, for paying the said debt and interest at the time and in the manner aforesaid; and whereas the amount of the whole rateable property in the said Municipality according to the last revised Assessment Rolls, amounts to \$ _____; Be it therefore further enacted, that the sum of _____ in the dollar, on the said gross rateable value of property, be levied and collected, in each year, over and beyond all other rates, general and special, for the purpose of paying the interest on, and creating a sinking fund to pay the said sum of \$ _____, raised under the authority of this By-law and the Statute aforesaid.