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**An Act for the better establishment of an
Atlantic Postal Steam Line.**

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Hon. Mr. CAYLEY.

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An Act for the establishment of a Weekly Postal Communication by Steamers, between this Province and the United Kingdom.

WHEREAS it will tend greatly to advance the prosperity of this Province that a Weekly Line of Postal Communication be established between it and the United Kingdom : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

Preamble.

I. It shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province to cause to be paid and applied yearly, and during a period not exceeding six years after the passing of this Act, a sum not exceeding in any year Fifty Thousand Pounds, out of any unappropriated money forming part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, to aid in the establishment of a regular Weekly Steam Communication between the river St. Lawrence and Liverpool in Summer, and between Portland and Liverpool during the Winter months, in order to render more complete the Postal arrangement between the United Kingdom and Canada : The said service to be performed and the said money expended for the purpose aforesaid, in such manner and under such regulations as the Governor in Council shall deem best adapted to advance the interests of this Province.

£50,000 yearly for six years appropriated for a Weekly Line of Steamers between Canada and England.

II. The due application of the money hereby appropriated shall be accounted for to Her Majesty and to the Legislature in the manner by Law provided.

Accounting clause.