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6th July.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the payment of compensation in respect of the loss of registered letters in certain cases.

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WHEREAS by a Treaty signed at Paris on the 1st of June, 1878, and subsequently duly ratified, it was agreed that various countries, of which this Colony was one, should form under the title of "A Universal Postal Union" a single postal territory for the reciprocal exchange of correspondence between their post offices, and it was also agreed that in the case of the loss of a registered article and except in the case of force majeure there should be paid an indemnity of 50 francs to the sender or at his request to the addressee, and provision was also made determining the incidence of the liability in respect of any such loss: And whereas it is expedient to make provision by legislation for carrying into effect in this Colony the aforesaid provisions of the said treaty:

Be it enacted by his Excellency the Governor with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council as follows:—

1. Where according to the rules of the said Universal Postal Union an indemnity in respect of loss is payable in this Colony to any sender or addressee of a registered article, the Governor shall cause the amount thereof to be paid to such sender or addressee out of the public revenues of this Colony on account nevertheless of the country liable to pay such amount or any part thereof in all cases where under the rules of the said Universal Postal Union any other country is liable.

Indemnity for
loss of certain
registered
articles.

2. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as "The Postal Registration Ordinance, 1880."

Short title.

Passed in Council this sixth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty.

A. C. ROSS,
Clerk of the Council.