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10 & 11 George IV – Chapter 50

An Act to amend a certain Act passed in the fifth year of His Majesty's. Reign, for the purpose of consolidating the Laws relating to Elections. (26th March, 1830.)

Whereas it is expedient to modify the tenor of a certain Oath or affirmation required to be taken or made in certain cases therein mentioned, by an Act made and passed in the fifth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned and to consolidate the Laws relating to the election of Members to serve in the Assembly of this Province, and to the duty of Returning Officers and for other purposes." Be it therefore enacted, and be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, 'An Act for making more effectual provision for the Government of the Province of Quebec, in North America;' and to make further provision for the Government of the said Province;" And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same that no person shall hereafter be required to administer take or make the oath or affirmation mentioned and referred to in the said Act as number three in the Schedule thereunto annexed, which oath or affirmation is in the words following:—"You swear (or being one of the people called Quakers you solemnly affirm) that your name is _____ that your addition profession or trade is _____ that the place of your abode is at _____ in the County of _____ (if in a City or Town the street or part of the City or Town is to be specified) that you are possessed for your own use and benefit of a land or tenement lying and being at _____ in the County of adjoining on one side to the land or tenement occupied by _____ and on the other side to that occupied by _____ which land or tenement so belonging to you are of the clear yearly value of forty shillings sterling, that is to say forty-four shillings and four pence farthing, currency, over and above air rents and charges payable out of or in respect of the same, and that you have been in the actual possession thereof or of the rents and profits thereof for your own use for six calendar months and upwards, immediately preceding the present election or that the same came to you within that time by descent or inheritance, marriage contract of marriage or by devise and that such land or tenement hath not been granted or made over to you fraudulently and on purpose to qualify you to vote at any Election, and that you have not already voted at this Election, So help you God," but that in all cases wherein the said oath or affirmation might heretofore have been required to be administered taken or made and under the pains and penalties provided in the said Act with respect thereto the following oath or affirmation shall be administered taken or made that is to say:—You Swear or being one of the people called Quakers you solemnly affirm) that your name is _____ that

your addition profession or trade is _____ that the place of your abode is at _____
in the County of _____ (if in a City or Town the street or part of the City or Town is to be
specified) that you are owner and possessed of for your own use and benefit of an Estate in
Freehold fief or roture or derived from certificate of the Governor and Council of the
Province of Quebec, or by virtue of some Act or Acts of the Legislature of this Province as the
(case may be) lying and being at _____ in the County of _____ adjoining on
one side to the land or tenement occupied by _____ and on the other side to that
occupied by _____ which land or tenement-so belonging to you is of the clear yearly
value of forty shillings sterling, that is to say forty-four shillings and five pence one farthing
currency, over and above all rents and charges payable out of or in respect of the same, and
that you have been in the actual possession thereof or of the rents and profits thereof for
your own use for six Calendar months and upwards immediately preceding the present
Election, or that the same came to you within that time by descent or inheritance, marriage,
contract of marriage, or by devise, and that such land or tenement hath not been granted or
made over to you fraudulently, and on purpose to qualify you to vote at any Election, and
that you have not already voted at this Election.—So help you God.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that a sufficient number of copies
of this Act shall be printed separately, and one copy thereof shall be forwarded to every
Returning Officer who shall be hereafter named and appointed for any ensuing General or
Special Election together, with the Writ of Election that shall be addressed to him.