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3 William IV – Chapter 28

An Act for the relief of a religious Congregation in the Township of Hull, denominated, Presbyterians. (3d April, 1833)

On the Petition of divers inhabitants of the Township of Hull, in the County of Ottawa, calling themselves Presbyterians, praying that their Minister John C. Nichols, may be authorised to keep Registers of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials: 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 it shall be lawful for the said John C. Nichols and his Successor or Successors, being regularly ordained and Ministers of the said Congregation, to have and keep (under the penalties by Law provided in that behalf) Registers duly authenticated of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, which shall take place under his or their Ministry and that such Registers (the requisite legal formalities with regard to Registers of the like nature being observed) shall to all intents and purposes, have the same effect in law as if they had been kept by any Minister of the Church of England or Scotland in this Province, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall be taken and deemed to be a public Act, and as such shall be judicially taken notice of by all Judges, Justices of the Peace and others, without being specially pleaded.