

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, leaving some property, both real and personal, acquired by him partly by grant from the Crown, and partly by purchase during his residence here: *And whereas*, the only relations of the said Peter Desjardins are his two Brothers, Jean Louis Thomas Desjardins, and Toussaint Desjardins, and his only Sister, Marianne Rosalie Begne, formerly Desjardins, all of whom are Aliens, and therefore incapable of inheriting the real property of their deceased Brother: *And whereas*, it is just and expedient to secure the property of the said Peter Desjardins to his said relatives; we therefore humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be 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 Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled '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 by the authority of the same, That the person or persons who, if he or they were Natural-born British Subjects of His Majesty, would inherit, or would have inherited the real or personal estate within this Province of the said Peter Desjardins, shall be deemed and taken to be, and to have been a Natural-born Subject, or Natural-born Subjects of His Majesty, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, as far as respects the capacity of such person or persons to take, inherit, hold, possess, enjoy, claim, recover, convey, devise, demise or impart, any and all such real or personal estate of the said Peter Desjardins.

Persons who if they had been natural born subjects would have inherited the real or personal estate of Peter Desjardins, now qualified to inherit and dispose of the same.

CHAP. XXXVI.

AN ACT to extend to certain persons the Civil and Political Rights of Natural-born Subjects.

[The Royal Assent to this Bill promulgated by Proclamation, bearing date the Twenty-seventh day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-five.]

Preamble.

WHEREAS Erastus Holmes Spalding, Abner Barnard, both of Blenheim, in the London District; Alvin Turner, of Zorra, in said District; Frederick Alin Spalding, Hinks Gross, of Blenheim, in the London District aforesaid; Amos Norton, of the Town of York; Eliakim Field, of Gosfield, in the Western District; Elisha Hayward, of the Town of York; Jean Petit Pont de la Haye, of York aforesaid; Brooks Bowman, Phi-

lander H. Bowman, of Oxford West, in the London District aforesaid; and Moses Maynard, the younger, of Brockville, in the Johnstown District, have by their several petitions set forth, that they have come into this Province with the intention of becoming subjects thereof: *And whereas*, it is just and expedient to secure the Petitioners in their Titles to their Lands, and to confer upon them the rights and privileges of Subjects of this Province: *Be it therefore 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 Upper Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, entitled, "An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, entitled, '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 by the authority of the same, That the titles of the said Erastus Holmes Spalding, Abner Barnard, Alvin Turner, Frederick Alin Spalding, Hinks Gross, Amos Norton, Eliakim Field, Elisha Hayward, Jean Petit Pont de la Haye, Brooks Bowman, Philander H. Bowman, and Moses Maynard, or any or either of them, or the Heir or Heirs of any of them respectively, to any real estate in this Province, shall not be impeached or held invalid, or such estate held liable to be resumed by His Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, on account of his or their being an Alien or Aliens, but all and every of them the said Erastus Holmes Spalding, Abner Barnard, Alvin Turner, Frederick Alin Spalding, Hinks Gross, Amos Norton, Eliakim Field, Elisha Hayward, Jean Petit Pont de la Haye, Brooks Bowman, Philander H. Bowman, and Moses Maynard, shall be deemed, adjudged and taken, and so far as respects their capacity at any time heretofore, or now, or hereafter, to take, hold, possess, enjoy, claim, recover, convey, devise, impart or transmit, any real estate in this Province, or any right, title, privilege or appurtenances thereto, or any interest therein, to be and to have been Natural-born Subjects of His Majesty, to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, as if they and every of them had been born in this Province.

Petitioners qualified to hold real estate in the Province.

II. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That after a residence of seven years within this Province, without having been absent more than two months at any one time, so soon as the said Erastus Holmes Spalding, Abner Barnard, Alvin Turner, Frederick Alin Spalding, Hinks Gross, Amos Norton, Eliakim Field, Elisha Hayward, Jean Petit Pont de la Haye, Brooks Bowman, Philander H. Bowman, and Moses Maynard, shall respectively have taken and subscribed the oath hereinafter inserted, or being of the persons allowed to affirm, have made the affirmation hereinafter mentioned, before some person duly authorized

After a residence of seven years, and taking the oath prescribed, petitioners confirmed in the rights and privileges of British subjects.

to administer the oath contained in an Act of the Parliament of this Province, passed in the ninth year of His late Majesty's reign, entitled, "An Act to secure and to confer upon certain Inhabitants of this Province the Civil and Political Rights of Natural-Born British Subjects," they the said Erastus Holmes Spalding, Abner Barnard, Alvin Turner, Frederick Alin Spalding, Hinks Gross, Amos Norton, Eliakim Field, Elisha Hayward, Jean Petit Pont de la Haye, Brooks Bowman, Philander H. Bowman, and Moses Maynard, shall be and are hereby admitted and confirmed in all the Privileges of British Birth within this Province.

Form of oath.

III. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the persons hereinbefore mentioned shall severally take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation:—I, A. B. do sincerely promise and swear, (or affirm as the case may be,) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of this Province, as dependant thereon—So HELP ME GOD!