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**An Act to amend certain parts of an act, entitled, “An act to fix the times and places of holding the courts of general quarter sessions of the peace, within the several districts of this province.”**

Whereas it is expedient to alter the place of holding the court of general quarter sessions of the peace in and for the Western district 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 so much of a certain act passed in the thirty-third year of his majesty's reign, entitled, “An act to fix the times and places of holding the courts of general quarter sessions of the peace within the several districts of this province.” Which directs that the courts of quarter sessions of the peace for the Western district of this province, shall commence and be holden in the town of Detroit, on such days and times as are therein mentioned; and that special sessions of the peace shall commence and be holden yearly and every year in the town of Michilimackinac, at certain time therein mentioned, be, and the same are hereby repealed accordingly.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this act the court of general quarter sessions of the peace for the Western district, shall commence and be holden in the parish of Assumption in such place as may not be found most convenient to the magistrates of the said district or the major part of them, on the second Tuesday in the month of July, on the second Tuesday in the month of October, on the second Tuesday in the month of October, on the second Tuesday in the month of January, and on the second Tuesday in the month of April, until such time as it shall seem expedient to the magistrates, or the major part of the magistrates of the said district, to remove and hold the same nearer to the island, called the Isle of Bois Blanc, being near the entrance of the river Detroit; and when it shall seem expedient to the said magistrates, or the major part of them, to hold the said general quarter sessions nearer to the said island, it shall and may be lawful for them to remove the same, having given due notice of such intended removal, at least three months before the same shall be removed as aforesaid.

III. And whereas by a certain other act passed in the thirty-fourth year of his majesty's reign, entitled, “An act to establish a court in and for the Western district, of this province is

appointed to be holden in the town of Detroit, in the said district, but as it seems not to be any longer expedient to hold the said court in the town of Detroit aforesaid; Be it enacted, that from and after the passing of this act, the district court in and for the said district, shall be holden at and in the same place where the general quarter sessions may be holden under and by virtue of the authority of this act.

IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the courts of quarter sessions for the Midland district, and the Eastern district, shall hereafter be held on the fourth Tuesday in the month of January, and the fourth Tuesday in the month of April, instead of the second Tuesday in the month January, and the second Tuesday in the month of April.