

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of Upper Canada, passed in the year 1841. Kingston: Stewart Derbyshire and George Desbarts, 1841.

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An Act to amend an Act passed in the ninth year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, chapter two, entitled An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned. Royal Assent promulgated 3rd December, 1841.

Whereas it is expedient and desirable to allow the several Christian denominations recognized by the Statutes of this Province, to hold lands for the support of Public Worship, and the propagation of Christian Knowledge; And whereas an Act, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Most Gracious Majesty King George the Fourth, entitled An Act for the relief of the Religious Societies therein mentioned, does not permit them to hold land for any other purpose than for the site of a Church, Meeting House, or Chapel, and Burying Ground, nor to a greater extent than five acres; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen'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 said Act as limits the powers of the several denominations mentioned in said Act to the quantity of five acres, and to the purposes for which lands shall be held, be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that the several religious Societies mentioned in the said Act, shall and are hereby authorized to hold lands in the manner specified in said Act for the support of Public Worship, and the propagation of Christian Knowledge, as well as for the proposes mentioned in said Act, any thing in the Statutes, commonly called the Statutes of Mortmain, to the contrary notwithstanding.

III. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, that all the rights and privileges by this Act conferred upon the religious denominations in the first recited Act mentioned, shall be deemed and taken to extend in every respect to the Roman Catholic Church to be exercised according to the government of the said Church.