

The Seigniors of the Fiefs Nazareth, St. Augustin, and St. Joseph empowered to commute with their *Censitaires*.

On such terms as may be agreed upon.

Consequence of such commutation.

Proviso—nothing in this Act to exempt the said Seigniors from the effect of any general law for commutation.

dues and burthens, whatsoever; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that it shall be lawful for the Seignior or Seigniors of any of the Fiefs Nazareth, St. Augustin, and St. Joseph, in the City and County of Montreal, respectively, to commute with any person or persons, body or bodies politic or corporate, or other party or parties whomsoever, who now hold or hereafter may hold any real or immoveable property *à titre de cens* or *en roture*, for the release and extinguishment of all *droits de lods et ventes, cens et rentes*, and other Seigniorial burthens whatsoever, to which such real or immoveable property may be liable, for such consideration and indemnity as by such Seignior or Seigniors and the party desirous of obtaining such Commutation shall be mutually settled and agreed upon; and from and after the voluntary settlement and adjustment of the terms of such Commutation and the passing of a Notarial Instrument for effecting the Commutation so agreed upon, all and every the *droits de cens et rentes, lods et ventes, droit de retrait*, and all other Seigniorial rights, dues and burthens whatsoever, on the real or immoveable property to which such Commutation shall relate shall be forever commuted, released and extinguished, and such real or immoveable property shall be thenceforth holden for ever by the Tenure of *Franc Aleu Roturier*, according to the Laws of Lower Canada, and shall never again be granted, conceded or holden by any Seigniorial or Feudal Tenure whatsoever: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt the Seignior or Seigniors of any of the said Fiefs, from the operation of any general law which may be hereafter passed for effecting a general commutation of Seigniorial Tenure throughout Lower Canada.

C A P . XXVIII.

An Act to detach the Township of Chatham Gore, otherwise called the Gore of Chatham, from the County of Terrebonne, and to annex it to the County of the Two Mountains.

[9th December, 1843.]

Preamble.

Act of L. C. 9 G. 4, c. 73, cited.

WHEREAS; by the terms of the Act of the Legislature of Lower Canada, passed in the ninth year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, and intituled, *An Act to make a more convenient subdivision of the Province*

vince into Counties, for the purpose of effecting a more equal representation thereof in the Assembly than heretofore, the tract of land which now forms the Township of Chatham Gore, otherwise called the Gore of Chatham, lying in the rear of the Seigniorship of Argenteuil, in the District of Montreal, was included in the County of Terrebonne; And whereas, from the position of the said Township, it would be more advantageous to the Inhabitants thereof, that it should form part of the County of the Two Mountains; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act, the said Township of Chatham Gore, otherwise called the Gore of Chatham, shall be and is hereby detached from the said County of Terrebonne, and shall be included in and make part of the said County of the Two Mountains, to and for all intents and purposes whatsoever; any thing in the Act herein first above cited to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Township of Chatham Gore detached from the County of Terrebonne, and annexed to the County of the Two Mountains.

C A P XXIX.

An Act for the establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in Upper Canada.

[9th December, 1843.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for the establishment and maintenance of Common Schools in that part of this Province called Upper Canada, and also for the establishment and maintenance of Model Schools therein; Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Secretary of this Province shall, ex-officio, be Chief Superintendent of the Common Schools of Upper Canada aforesaid, subject nevertheless to all lawful orders and directions in the exercise of his duties as such Chief Superintendent, as shall from time to time be issued or given in that behalf by the Governor of this Province.

Preamble.

Chief Superintendent of Common Schools appointed.

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