

ANNO OCTAVO

VICTORIÆ REGINÆ.

CAP. XI.

An Act to abolish the Office of Surveyor General, and to provide for the performance of the duties of that Office by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

[17th March, 1845.]

THEREAS it hath become expedient to abolish the office of Surveyor Gene- Preamble. ral, and to cause the duties thereof to be performed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands; And whereas by divers Statutes of this Province, or of the late Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, respectively, many powers and duties are assigned to the Surveyor General, for the exercise and performance of which it is necessary to provide: 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, Departments the department and office of the Surveyor General of this Province, shall be consolidated with the department and office of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, under the superintendence and management of the last named officer.

of the Survey-Commissioner of Crown Lands consolidated,

Powers and duties of the Surveyor General to be exercised and performed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, all the powers and duties which theretofore were by any Act, Ordinance or Law in force in this Province, assigned to or vested in the Surveyor General, shall become and be vested in the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the time being; and the said powers and duties, or any of them, shall and may be exercised and performed by him, or by any Assistant or Clerk in his department or office, or other person whom he shall by any instrument in writing under his hand, authorize to excercise or perform the same, or any of them, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as they might before the passing of this Act have been exercised or performed by the Surveyor General; any law, usage, or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

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