

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada, passed in the year 1851. York: Stewart Derbshire and George Desbarts, 1851.

14 & 15 Victoria – Chapter 43

An Act to naturalize Ira Gould and others, and for other purposes. 2d August, 1851.

Whereas Ira Gould, of the City and District of Montreal, Trader, and Nathaniel Weed Gould, Charles Hubbard Gould, Joseph Gould, Edwin Gould and Ovid Miner Gould, of the same place, sons of the said Ira Gould, have by their Petition represented that they have all resided uninterruptedly in this Province during a period of four years last past, and that they are all desirous of permanently settling in this Province, and of becoming subjects of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, and have prayed that they might be naturalized as subjects of Her Most Gracious Majesty, and declared and made capable of inheriting and enjoying the civil and political rights of British subjects; and whereas it seems meet and expedient that the prayer of the said Petition should be granted: 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, and 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 said Ira Gould, Nathaniel Weed Gould, Charles Hubbard Gould, Joseph Gould, Edwin Gould and Ovid Miner Gould, shall be deemed, adjudged and taken to be, and in so far as respects his and their and each of their capacity of any time whatsoever, heretofore, now or hereafter, to take, hold, possess, own, enjoy, claim, recover, convey, devise, acquire by devise, give, bequeath, impart or transmit, or take and receive by descent, succession of otherwise, any real or immoveable estate, ships, vessels, or other personal or real property whatsoever in this Province, by them or either of them now owned or acquired, or hereafter to be owned or acquired, or to which he or they or either of them may be or may hereafter become in any way entitled, or any right, title, privileges or appurtenances thereto belonging or any interest therein, and in all other respects whatsoever shall be deemed and taken to have been and to be natural born British subjects of Her Majesty, and to all intents, constructions and purposes whatsoever, and as respects all civil and political rights whatsoever, shall be deemed, taken and held to have been and to be natural born subjects of Her Majesty and the titles of the said Ira Gould or of his children aforesaid, or either of them, to any real estate within this Province, shall not be impeached or held invalid, or such estate held liable to be resumed by Her Majesty or Her Successors, for or by reason of the said Ira Gould, or the said Nathaniel Weed Gould, Charles Hubbard Gould, Joseph Gould, Edwin Gould and Ovid Miner Gould having heretofore been Aliens: Provided always, that the said Ira Gould, and the said Nathaniel Weed Gould, Charles Hubbard Gould, Joseph Gould, Edwin Gould and Ovid Miner Gould, and each of them, shall, within three months after the passing of this Act, take and subscribe before some Clerk of the Peace in this Province, the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, and that such Oath so taken and subscribed shall be kept by the said Clerk of the Peace among the Records of his Office.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be taken and declared to be a Public Act, and as such shall be judicially taken notice of by all Judges, Justices of the Peace and all others whom it shall concern, without being specially pleaded.