

Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada, passed in the year 1851. Quebec: Stewart Derbyshire and George Desbarts, 1852.

16 Victoria – Chapter 209

An Act to establish a Board of Examiners of School Teachers in certain Districts in Lower Canada. Assented to 14th June, 1853.

Whereas all the School Teachers in Lower Canada are now required to submit to an examination before a Board of Examiners: And whereas only two Boards have been established for the examination of such School Teachers, which hold their meetings in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, and in consideration of the great distance which the School Teachers of other Districts have to travel in order to attend the meetings of the said Boards at Quebec and Montreal, and the difficulty of communication with these Cities, it is expedient to establish other Boards of Examiners as hereinafter provided: 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 reunite 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 first day of July next, there shall be established in the Districts of Kamouraska, Gaspé, St. Francis, Three-Rivers and Ottawa, Boards of Examiners for the examination of School Teachers.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Boards of Examiners shall be composed of seven persons, respectively, who shall be appointed by the Governor on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Public Education and shall constitute Boards of Examiners, by the name of "The Board of Examiners of [adding the name of the District]."

III. And be it enacted, That the said Boards shall hold their meetings in any of the following Districts at the places hereinafter provided, namely: in the District of Kamouraska, in the Parish of St. Louis de Kamouraska, at the Court House, for the said District; in the District of Gaspé, at Percé; in the district of Three- Rivers, at the Town of Three-Rivers, in the Court House; in the Ottawa District, at Aylmer, in the Court House, at Aylmer: Provided always, that in the District of St. Francis, there shall be two Boards of Examiners, one for the County of Sherbrooke, to be called "The Sherbrooke Board of Examiners," who shall hold their meetings at the Town of Sherbrooke, and the other for the County of Stanstead, to be called "The Stanstend Board of Examiners," who shall hold their meetings in the Township of Stanstead, the said two Counties remaining as they were before the passing of the Act to increase the representation; and the said Boards of Examiners shall be governed by the provisions of the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned, and to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in Lower Canada*.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said Boards shall, under the provisions made in the Act last above cited and other Acts defining the duties and powers of such Boards of Examiners, have power to

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grant or refuse Certificates or Diplomas to such School Teachers of the Districts aforesaid, as shall present themselves for examination before the said Boards.