

*Laws of Her Majesty's Province of United Canada*, passed in the year 1854. Quebec: Stewart Derbyshire and George Desbarts, 1854.

18 Victoria – Chapter 155

**An Act to confirm the present boundaries of certain Lots in the Township of Winchester.  
Assented to 19th May, 1855.**

Whereas it appears by the plans and field notes of the original Survey of the township of Winchester, in the County of Dundas, performed by Deputy Provincial Surveyor Lewis Grant, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight., that he laid out a commons fifteen chains in width between the eastern boundary of the township and lots number twenty-four in the several concessions lie surveyed; And whereas the commons aforesaid has not been laid down on the plan of the township by Deputy Surveyor John Slegmann, who surveyed the third concession, nor on the plan thereof signed Wm. Chewett, Senior, Surveyor, Upper Canada, and dated Williamsburgh, tenth of April, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-four, and on which the entries of the grants of the lots in the said township were made; And whereas it appears by the memorial of certain freeholders, householders and inhabitants of the said township, that owing to the original posts on the concession lines of the township having decayed or having been destroyed, all trace of the commons aforesaid disappeared, and that all the boundaries of the lots in the said township, excepting a few lines recently run in the eleventh concession, have for the last thirty years been established without leaving a commons, in the full assurance that none had been left in the original survey, and in all cases dividing the surplus land according to law; And whereas no part of the said commons has been sold or granted by the Government, and serious injury would be sustained by the proprietors of the lands in the said township, if a re-survey thereof was made, leaving a commons, and it is therefore expedient to comply with the request of the said proprietors by abolishing the said commons: 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, as follows:

I. For and notwithstanding any thing to the contrary contained in the Act of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the twelfth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to repeal certain Acts therein mentioned and to make better provision respecting the admission of Land Surveyors and the Survey of Lands in this Province*, the aforesaid survey of the said Deputy Provincial Surveyor Lewis Grant of the commons aforesaid, shall be and the same is hereby set aside, and lot number twenty- four, in each of the concessions of the said township of Winchester, shall extend to and adjoin the allowance for road on the eastern boundary of the township, and the surplus of land in each concession shall be divided in the manner provided in the fortieth section of the Act last before cited.

II. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.