

the meaning of this Act. of belonging to or appropriated to the use of the various tribes or bodies of Indians in Lower Canada, the following persons and classes of persons, and none other, shall be considered as Indians belonging to the tribe or body of Indians interested in any such lands or immoveable property :

Firstly. All persons of Indian blood, reputed to belong to the particular tribe or body of Indians interested in such lands or immoveable property, and their descendants ;

Secondly. All persons residing among such Indians, whose parents were or are, or either of them was or is, descended on either side from Indians, or an Indian reputed to belong to the particular tribe or body of Indians interested in such lands or immoveable property, and the descendants of all such persons ; And

Thirdly. All women lawfully married to any of the persons included in the several classes hereinbefore designated ; the children issue of such marriages, and their descendants. 14, 15 V. c. 59, s. 2.

LANDS SET APART FOR INDIANS.

Certain lands to be set apart for Indians.

12. Tracts of land in Lower Canada, not exceeding in the whole two hundred and thirty thousand acres, may, (in so far as the same has not been already done under the Act 14, 15 Victoria, chapter 106,) under orders in council to be made in that behalf, be described, surveyed and set out by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and such tracts of land shall be respectively set apart and appropriated to and for the use of the several Indian tribes in Lower Canada, for which they are respectively directed to be set apart in any order in Council, made as aforesaid, and the said tracts of land shall accordingly, by virtue of this Act, and without any price or payment being required therefor, be vested in and managed by the Commissioner of Indian lands for Lower Canada, under this Act. 14, 15 V. c. 106, s. 1.

Annual grant for Indian Tribes.

13. There shall be paid yearly out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, to be distributed amongst certain Indian tribes in Lower Canada by the Superintendent General of Indian affairs, in such proportions amongst the said Indian tribes, and in such manner as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct. *Ibid*, s. 2.