

**An Act to remove doubts as to legitimacy of the children
of the late Jean Baptiste Gatien and Monique Audon.**

WHEREAS the late Jean Baptiste Gatien in his life time, of the Parish of Ste. Philomene, in the District of Montreal, Yeoman, and the late Marie Audon, both died in the said Parish, after having cohabited for a period of fifty-six years, and lived as man and wife, and after having had several children; and whereas doubts have arisen as to validity of their marriage and the legitimacy of the children, issue of the same, in consequence of their being unable to procure certificates of the said marriage, and it is just to remove these doubts and to maintain the said children in the possession of the estate and property of their said parents; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

I. Marie Louise Gatien, Jean Bte. Gatien, Justine Gatien, wife of Jean Marie Herbert, Henry Gatien, Felicite Gatien, wife of Charles Mathien, Marie Angelique Gatien, widow of the late Louis Courtemanche, and Jean Stanislas Gatien, the only living children, issue of the marriage of the late Jean Baptiste Gatien and Marie Audon shall be maintained in the possession of all the estate and property, whereof the said late Jean Baptiste Gatien and Marie Audon respectively, died possessed, and which belonged to them at the time of their death, and in respect whereof they died intestate.

The children of the said Gatien and his wife, shall obtain their property.

II. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.

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