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An Act to amend and repeal in part the Education Acts of Lower Canada.

WHEREAS for better promoting Elementary Education in Lower Canada, it is necessary to amend and to repeal in part the Acts thereunto relating: Be it therefore enacted, &c. Preamble.

- 5 That the Act passed in the ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter Twenty-seven, intituled, "*An Act to repeal certain enactments therein mentioned, and to make better provision for Elementary Instruction in Lower Canada,*" and of the Act passed in the twelfth year of the same Reign, and Chapter Fifty, intituled, "*An Act to amend the School Law of Lower Canada,*" shall be and are hereby amended and repealed in so far as they are derogated from by this Act, and more especially in so far as relates to the imposing and levying of any compulsory assessment for the support of Schools, for which voluntary contribution shall be substituted as hereinafter provided. Part of 9 V. c. 27 and 12 V. c. 50 repealed.
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- II. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the School Commissioners shall be appointed by the Governor, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and may be removed and others appointed in their stead at pleasure; Provided always, that the Commissioners appointed under the authority of the Laws now in force shall continue to act until the Governor shall see fit to appoint others in their stead in the manner aforesaid. School Commissioners to be appointed by the Governor. Proviso.
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- III. And be it enacted, That the Governor shall have power, through the Superintendent of Schools, after consulting the School Commissioners, to fix and determine the number of Schools, whether for boys or for girls, which he shall deem necessary in each County, Parish, Township or School Municipality; and in like manner to fix, when he shall think it expedient, the *quantum* of remuneration to be paid to Schoolmasters. Governor to fix number of Schools, &c.
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- IV. And be it enacted, That the portion of the fifty thousand pounds appropriated for educational purposes, which shall belong to Lower Canada, shall be yearly apportioned among the several Counties and School Municipalities, in proportion, as nearly as it can be done, to their population: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Governor, in certain particular cases of which School moneys to be distributed in proportion to population. Proviso.
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