

## An Act to incorporate the Common of Berthier.

WHEREAS divers inhabitants of the Parish of Berthier, in the County of Berthier, interested as joint proprietors in the Common known as the "Common of Berthier," consisting of *l'Isle Rondin*, or *Randin*, situated in the River St. Lawrence, within the limits of the said Parish of Berthier, have, by their petition to the Legislature, represented that for want of an Act of Incorporation to regulate the affairs of the said Common, they are exposed to encroachments of all kinds, to inconvenience, and to heavy losses; Therefore, Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:—

Preamble.

- 10 I. Within six months after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the inhabitants interested in the said Common of Berthier to meet, after public notice of such meeting shall have been given by three or more of the parties interested in the said Common, and posted up and published during three consecutive Sundays at the door of the Parish Church  
15 of the said Parish of Berthier, at the issue of divine service in the morning, which said notice shall contain the place, day and hour of such meeting, for the purpose of electing, by the majority of the votes of the parties interested in the said Common then and there present, a President and four Trustees to manage the affairs of the said Common, and  
20 the said President and Trustees, so elected at the said first meeting, or at any other subsequent meeting in virtue of this Act, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a corporation under the name of the *President and Trustees of the Common of Berthier*, and under that name they shall have perpetual succession while this Act remains in force, and a common seal, and may sue and be sued in all Courts of Justice, and validly take all proceedings in relation to the execution of the duties imposed upon them by this Act.

First meeting for the election of a President and four Trustees.

- II. The said first meeting to be held in virtue of this Act, and all other subsequent meetings shall be presided over by such persons present as the meeting may select, by the majority of the votes of the parties interested in the said Common, then and there present: Provided always, that if the said first meeting be not held at the place, day and hour appointed in the said notice for any reason whatsoever,  
30 another meeting of the parties interested may be called, presided over, held and conducted in the same manner and for the same purpose, either  
35 during the six or during the twelve months next after the passing of this Act; And provided also, that in case the election of the said President and Trustees, or of any one of them, be declared null by any competent judicial authority, it shall be lawful for the said parties interested in the said Common to meet again, after notice to that effect shall  
40 have been given in the form prescribed by the first section, for the purpose of replacing the President or Trustees, or Trustee whose election shall have been annulled as aforesaid.

Who shall preside at first meeting.  
Proviso.