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An Act to explain part of a certain Act therein mentioned, and to define what persons shall have the right to vote at the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, to represent the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, and the Town of Three Rivers.

WHEREAS by his Proclamation, bearing date the 7th day of Preamble.
 May, 1792, Sir Alured Clarke, at that time Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Lower Canada, divided the said Province into Counties for electoral purposes, and for the same purpose fixed and determined the limits and boundaries of the Cities
 5 of Quebec and Montreal, and of the Town of Three Rivers; And
 whereas in conformity with the provisions of the Imperial Act to reunite the heretofore Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada,
 Lord Sydenham, at that time Governor of the Province of Canada,
 by Letters Patent bearing date the 4th day of May, 1841, assigned other
 10 boundaries and limits to the said Cities of Quebec and Montreal,
 which said Letters Patent have since been revoked and annulled
 by an Act of the Legislature of this Province, passed in the 6th
 year of the Reign of Her Majesty, and intituled, "*An Act to re-* 6 V., c. 16.
store for purposes relative to the Election of Members of the Legis-
 15 *lative Assembly the ancient boundaries and limits of the Cities of*
Quebec and Montreal;" and by the said Act, the boundaries
 and limits of the said Cities of Quebec and Montreal as fixed and
 determined by the above mentioned Proclamation of Sir Alured
 Clarké, were again assigned to the said Cities respectively;
 20 And whereas by a certain Act passed in the 12th year of the
 Reign of Her Majesty, 12 Vic. cap. 27, and intituled "*An Act to* 12 V., c. 27.
repeal certain Acts therein mentioned, and to amend, consolidate
and reduce into one Act the several Statutory provisions now in force
 25 *this Province in the Legislative Assembly thereof;*" it is amongst
 other things enacted, that no person shall be entitled to vote at
 the Election of a Member to represent any City or Town in this
 Province, unless such person shall be a proprietor or tenant with-
 in the limits of the said City or Town, or of the liberties thereof;
 30 and whereas doubts and difficulties have arisen as to the right of