

V.—*And be it &c.* That duplicate books of such registry shall be kept, both of which being originals shall contain the actual signatures or marks of the person Subscribing, and that on or before the thirty-first day of December in each and every year, the person making and keeping the said register shall deposit one of the originals thereof in the office of the Clerk of the Peace of the District where such persons shall reside, and transmit the other original register for the same year to the Secretary of the Province for the time being—and that the said books of registry shall remain and be preserved as public records in the said offices respectively.

VI.—*And be it &c.* That if from any casualty either of such original registers or any part thereof shall be lost or destroyed, it shall be supplied by a copy taken from the other original of such register remaining in the office of the Clerk of the Peace, or Secretary of the Province, (as the case may be) and attested as a true copy upon the oath of the officer having custody of the same, made before any Commissioner for taking oaths in the Court of King's Bench, which copy, so attested, shall be regarded to all intents and purposes as the original register.

VII.—*And be it further enacted &c.* That a copy or extract taken from any book of registry made under the authority of this act of the whole entry made in such register with respect to any person whose name is recorded therein, and certified by the Clerk of the Peace, or Secretary of the Province for the time being, or their respective deputy or deputies, or by the person keeping such register, before the same shall have been transmitted to the Clerk of the Peace or Secretary, shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient evidence of the naturalization of the person therein described.

VIII.—*And be it further enacted &c.* That no person who, on the said twenty-sixth day of May, in the year of our Lord 1826, had been resident in this Province, or elsewhere in His Majesty's dominions, as aforesaid, for the space of seven years, shall be entitled to the benefit of this act, unless he shall take the oath, or make the affirmation and subscribe the record thereof required by this act, on or before the first day of March, which will be in the year of our Lord 1830, and that no person who, being resident in this Province on the said twenty-sixth day of May, had not then been resident therein, or elsewhere in His Majesty's dominions as aforesaid, for the space of seven years, shall be entitled to the benefit of this act, unless he shall take the oath, or make the affirmation, and subscribe the record thereof required by this act, within the space of three years from the completion of his residence for the space of seven years, as aforesaid. Provided always nevertheless, that if any person, at the time of his being entitled by residence to claim to be naturalized under this act, shall be under the age of sixteen years, it shall and may be lawful for such person to avail himself of the provisions of this act, at any time within three years after his attaining the age of sixteen years.

IX.—*And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any person not entitled to be regarded as a natural born subject of His Majesty, who on the twenty-sixth day of May one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six was domiciled in this Province, shall die before the period limited by this act for his taking the oath according to the provisions thereof, such person shall be nevertheless deemed to have been a natural born subject of His Majesty so far as regards the holding and transferring of any real estate by devise or inheritance.

X.—*And be it further enacted &c.* That after the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-five, the several officers to whom it shall belong, shall without delay, transmit the registers then remaining in their custody to the Secretary of the Province and the Clerks of the Peace respectively as directed by this act, and that after the said first day of January no further oaths shall be administered, or proceedings had for the purpose of being naturalised under this act.

XI.—*And be it further &c.* That whenever any of the persons appointed to administer the oaths and make the record thereof required by this act shall transmit any book of registry to the office of the Clerk of the Peace or to the Secretary of the Province, as hereinbefore provided, he shall at the end of such book of registry verify the same on oath, to be taken before some one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in which he shall depose that such book of registry forms a true and correct record of the statements made to him by the several persons therein described and which they severally verified by oath or affirmation taken before him.

XII.—*Provided always, and be it further, &c.* That if any person to whom it shall belong to attest the truth of any such record, shall neglect or omit to attest the same in manner aforesaid, he shall forfeit and pay the sum of £200, to be recovered by information in His Majesty's Court of King's Bench; but such omission shall not prejudice the right of any person who may have taken the oath or made the affirmation required by this act, or preclude him from receiving a certificate or extract according to the provisions thereof.

XIII.—*And be it &c.* That a general alphabetical list shall be made and kept by the Secretary of this Province and the several Clerks of the Peace, of the surnames and Christian names of all persons whose names and descriptions are recorded in the several books of registry, referring to their place in such books respectively—and that such list and books shall be open at all times to inspection, during the hours of business in such office, and that any person desirous of searching in the said list or books, shall pay to the officer keeping the same one shilling for each person whose name he shall desire to search for.

XIV.—*And be it further enacted &c.* That nothing in this act contained shall be taken to repeal or in any manner alter or affect any statute passed by the Legislature of this Province respecting the qualifications of voters for Members to serve in the Assembly of this Province or the eligibility of members to serve in the said Assembly or in any manner to affect or interfere with a certain act of the Legislature