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Concerning LAND-SURVEYORS, and the admeasurement of Lands, and for repealing an Ordinance there-in-mentioned.

THEREAS it is necessary for securing to His Majesty's Subjects the peaceable possession of their Lands, to commission as Land Surveyors, such persons only as are capable of executing the duties. And in order that Surveys be in future so made as the better to secure the rights of His Majesty's subjects-Be it therefore enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of, and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, " An Act to repeal certain " parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year " of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act " for making more effectual provision for the " government of the Province of Quebec in North " America," and to make more effectual pro-" vision for the Government of the said Pro-" vince;" and it is hereby enacted by the authority aforesaid, that from and after the passing of this Act, no person shall be admitted to practise as a Surveyor of Lands, unless he have previously gone through a course of Geometry and Trigonometry, and have regularly and faithfully served during the term and space of years, under an Acte passed for the purpose before a Notary, and have continued during the said term to serve as a Clerk under a Surveyor duly admitted and practising as such, and have received of the said Surveyor a Certificate of the time of his service and capacity.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that before any person is admitted to practise as a Surveyor of Lands, he shall undergo an examination before three Land Surveyors, duly commissioned, who shall be appointed for that purpose by the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or person administering the Government of this Province for the time being, and of whom the Surveyor-General, or the Deputy-Surveyor-General, shall be one.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that every person who after having undergone the examination hereby prescribed, shall receive a Commission as a Surveyor of Lands before executing any of the duties of