

An Act to enable Richard Charles Porter to obtain a Patent  
for a machine for cutting straw and hay.

**W**HEREAS Richard Charles Porter, of the Township of Ireland, Presamble.  
in the County of Megantic, has, by his petition to Parliament,  
represented that he is a British subject and a resident of Canada, and  
that he has become possessed, by purchase from the inventor in the  
5 United States, of the right of introducing into this Dominion a new and  
useful invention, being a machine for cutting hay and straw, and has  
prayed that an Act may be passed to enable him to obtain a Patent for  
the said machine and discovery, and whereas it is expedient that the  
prayer of the said petition be granted: Therefore Her Majesty by and  
10 with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of  
Canada, enacts as follows:

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any law  
now in force, it shall be lawful for the Governor General if he shall see  
fit, upon satisfactory proof of the truth of the said statement of the  
15 said Petitioner, to grant Letters Patent to the said Richard Charles  
Porter for the said machine and discovery in the same manner and to  
the same effect as the same might have been granted to him if he had  
been the inventor of the said machine and discovery. Governor  
may grant  
Letters  
Patent to  
R. J. Porter.

2. Such Letters Patent shall, nevertheless, be granted on the follow-  
20 ing conditions: Conditions  
of such  
Patent.

1. That the Patentee shall, within two years from the date of the  
Letters Patent, establish, or cause to be established, within the limits  
of this Province, a factory for the manufacture of the said machine

2. That the privileges granted by the said Letters Patent shall be  
25 available to the Patentee so long only as the factory shall continue in  
operation.

3. Before any Patent is granted under this Act the petitioner shall  
give one months' notice in the "Canada Gazette" of his intention to  
apply for the same, stating therein the name of the original inventor,  
30 the date of the patent obtained in the United States, and such other  
particulars as will sufficiently identify the invention. Notice of  
application.