

An Act to amend the Act to provide for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada, and for other purposes connected with Agriculture in Upper and Lower Canada.

WHEREAS it was provided by the Act passed in the 16th year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to provide for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada,*" that from and after a day therein mentioned, a County Agricultural Society should be organized in each of the then existing counties of Lower Canada upon the conditions and in the manner therein prescribed; And whereas by the Parliamentary Representation Act of 1853, and the Parliamentary Representation Amendment Act of 1855, Lower Canada has been divided into new and additional Counties or territorial divisions; and it is therefore necessary to extend the provisions of the first mentioned Act to such new Counties or territorial divisions; Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as follows:

Preamble.
16 V., c. 18.

I. All and every the provisions of the said first mentioned Act, are hereby extended to each of the new counties mentioned and referred to in the said Parliamentary Representation Acts, in like manner and to the same effect as if they had existed as separate and distinct counties at the time of the passing of this said first mentioned Act.

Provisions of
16 V. c. 18 ex-
tended to
present Coun-
ties.

II. In every case in which the limits of any such new County coincide with those of any separate Society already organized therein, it shall be lawful for the Bureau of Agriculture, upon an application to that effect from such separate Society, to change the name of such separate Society from that of the Society of the County of (*insert name*), number two (three or four as the case may be), to that of the County of (*insert name*) Agricultural Society; and the said Bureau of Agriculture shall also make such other regulations, orders and alterations touching the name and limits of such separate Societies, as may be adapted to the whole or any one of them, and be best calculated to carry into effect the intention of this Act to such new Counties or territorial divisions.

Bureau of
Agriculture
may change
name, of So-
ciety in certain
cases.

III. And whereas it is necessary to make some provision for the encouragement of Horticulture as well in Lower Canada as in Upper Canada: Therefore it shall be lawful for the several Agricultural Societies already established in Upper and Lower Canada, and for those hereafter to be therein established by virtue of this Act, out of the amount to which they may be respectively entitled from the public funds, to place at the disposal of any Horticultural Society which may be formed in the same County, or in any City or Town within the body or ordinary limits of such County, though not within its electoral limits, a sum equal to that

Agricultural
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